

2nd VPAA candidate makes campus visit

By CHRIS TRIEBSCH
CHIEF REPORTER

A new candidate for vice president for Academic Affairs came to town Wednesday after the previous candidate decided she was not interested in the job.

Joseph "Tim" Gilmour, vice president for Strategic Planning at the Georgia Institute of Technology, is visiting campus until Friday to answer questions from faculty and students.

Susan Hillenmeyer was University President Dean Hubbard's first choice for the VPAA position, but after she and her husband visited the University, they decided not to pursue the offer. Hillenmeyer's husband runs his own business and they did not think his business would be successful in Maryville.

Gilmour said he is excited about the possibility of filling the position, although he did not indicate whether or not he would take the job.

"I would not be here without a serious interest," Gilmour said. "I was excited when (University) President (Dean) Hubbard called. I am even more

impressed with the University now that I am here."

Gilmour is attending various faculty and administrative meetings. He was in the University Club North Wednesday and will be there again today from 2 to 5 p.m. to talk to faculty and students.

Gilmour talked a lot about continuous quality improvement while the faculty asked questions pertaining to tenure and faculty teams. One person asked why Gilmour would consider leaving his current job.

"There are a variety of reasons I am thinking of leaving," Gilmour said. "The key reason is that I am concerned with higher education and where it is headed. We have to get into the business of continuous improvement."

Gilmour said he sees Northwest as moving fast toward this structure.

Gilmour had questions for faculty and students as well, asking about Maryville and jokingly voicing concern over the change of climate he would experience in moving from Georgia to Missouri.

Hubbard expects to know early next week of Gilmour's decision.



JON BRITTON/Photography Director
UNIVERSITY PRESIDENT DEAN Hubbard discusses graduate standards with Joseph "Tim" Gilmour, the new candidate for vice president for Academic Affairs. Gilmour answered questions from faculty in an informal session Wednesday. He will be here until Friday.

Smoke causes little damage to Mary Linn

Safety officials say that sparks from an arc welding torch flew into vent filled with wood filings

By DAIN JOHNSTON
MISSOURIAN STAFF

The smoke that filled the Mary Linn Performing Arts Center Jan. 18 was caused by an errant spark from a student's arc welding torch, Angie Graves, safety manager of Campus Safety, said.

The spark flew into a vent filled with wood filings on the floor of the scene shop and slowly started to smolder.

"(The fire alarm went off at 10 p.m., and we called the city right after that," Graves said.

Maryville Public Safety responded within 10 minutes, and officers found the scene shop filled with smoke, which they promptly extinguished.

The students who were welding had just finished and were putting their equipment away before the Jim Wand performance when they noticed smoke. They thought it was coming from the lights and did not do anything about it, Graves said.

Comic to hit campus with family show

By AMY DUGGAN
MISSOURIAN STAFF

Comedian George Wallace knew that he was not pursuing his dream after a short period in his life as a businessman. He soon turned to a career he knew best — comedy.

After a request from a portion of the student body, Wallace will perform at 7:30 p.m. tonight in the Mary Linn Performing Arts Center.

Although this will be Wallace's first time performing at Northwest, Dave Gieseke, Campus Activity Programmers adviser, predicts a great turnout for the evening.

"His act is a lot cleaner than Adam Sandler's," Gieseke said. "We think this show will be good, too. He's different, and that's something we try to do."

Ash Atkins, CAPs comedy events chairman, hopes the family show will be successful.

"I'm expecting a laugh riot," Atkins said. "He interacts well with the audience. For example, he'll pick on people in the audience."

Through his years of doing standup comedy, Wallace has earned his recognition for being the "Best Male Standup Comedian" in 1991, 1992 and 1993 in ABC's "American Comedy Awards." He has also made numerous appearances on "The Arsenio Hall Show," "The Oprah Winfrey Show" and "Late Night With David Letterman."

Along with many TV programs, the Atlanta native has also appeared in several motion pictures including "A Rage in Harlem," "Punchline," "Hot to Trot" and "Post Cards From the Edge."

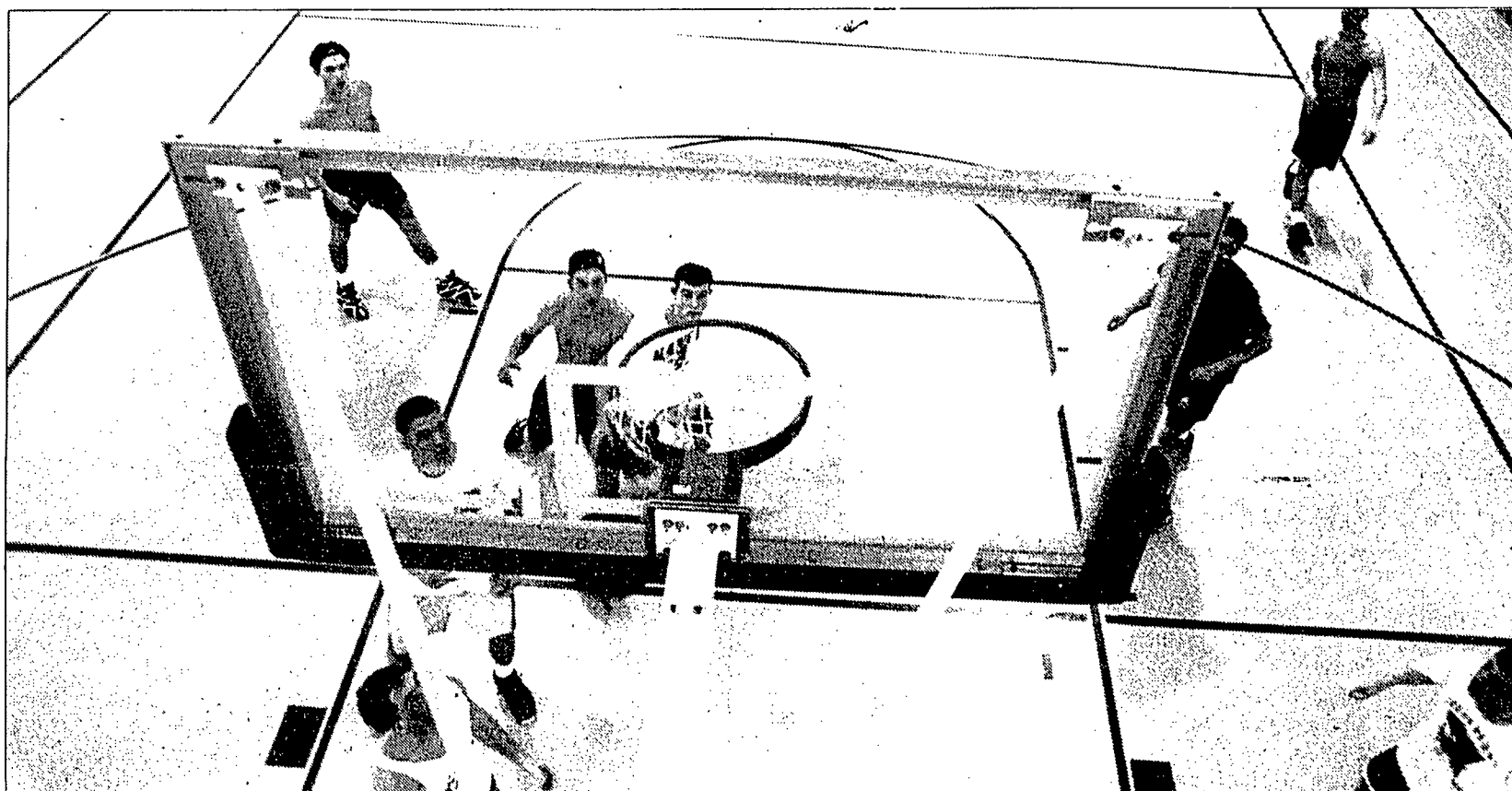
Although being in front of the camera has been a regular routine for Wallace, it is his opening onstage performances with stars such as Kenny G, The Beach Boys, Natalie Cole and Diana Ross that give him immediate audience response.

Wallace also has the stage presence that allows him to feel at ease on stage.

"Some of the real big comics don't go out and do a lot of stand ups anymore," Gieseke said. "The show's a lot funnier as opposed to somebody that's just going out from a TV show routine."

A BUBBLING PROBLEM

STUDENTS PLAY BASKETBALL on a slightly bubbling floor in the Student Recreation Center. As the facility celebrates its one-year anniversary, the Rec Center has been plagued with bubbles in the floor and a leaky roof.



ALEX GAZIO/Missourian Staff

Rec Center to receive new floor

By NATE OLSON
CHIEF REPORTER

After students waited patiently through construction strikes and other delays, they were finally able to use the Student Recreation Center last January.

One year later, however, construction is about to begin again to repair the faulty, bubbling basketball floor.

Bob Lade, recreational sports director, said at the end of April bubbles began to appear.

Whenever a low pressure system was present, bubbles were present as well. When a high pressure system came along, the bubbles disappeared.

As time wore on, the bubble problem began to worsen, so the University called in the construction manager and an official from the floor company.

At first, the two officials believed water was the culprit, but a series of tests did not reveal any water.

Then they realized the floor was currently not bonding to the cement underneath.

When Northwest officials discovered the source of the problem, they took action to receive compensation in the form of a new floor.

Northwest's lawyers are dealing with the company that supplied the floor, Professional Services, and the company that installed the floor, Balsam AGA Company.

The company has since gone bankrupt because of mismanagement of funds overseas, which compounds the problem.

The University's lawyers have contacted the company, which has agreed to tear up the old floor and install a new one in May. The process is expected to take six weeks.

Meanwhile, the court is in full use thanks to temporary repairs.

Unless a person looks closely, finding a bubble will be difficult.

"Right now, unless you are really looking hard, you cannot tell anything is wrong with the floor," Lade said.

Lade said the facility is currently fully functioning.

"My main concern is we keep the

floor useable and safe," he said.

Lade said the big problem with the floor has been trying to schedule activities and events.

"The difficulty really comes with the scheduling of programming," he said. "Three days before the MIAA volleyball tournament started, we found the major bubbles. We had to shut down one court, but we managed to still allow play of the tournament."

Student tolerance to the problem has been good, Lade said, but Steve Zimmer said he was upset when he found out about the problem.

"When you get a new facility, things like that should not happen," he said. "It might have been cheaply done or they did it too fast, but I was kind of mad."

However, Zimmer is happy they have made temporary repairs so the facility is useable.

Lade said it upsets him that it needs repair.

"It makes me feel sick because I really like the floor," he said. "Unfortunately it is one of those unexpected things that goes wrong."



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BUBBLES IN THE floor of the Student Recreation Center have been temporarily repaired by cutting the bubbles and gluing them to the floor.

Lawyers present opening statements as trial begins

By MIKE JOHNSON
ASSOCIATE EDITOR

O.J. Simpson used to play both offense and defense to win a football game when he played for the Buffalo Bills. Now, he is playing only defense, but this time it is for his freedom.

The Simpson trial got underway this week with the prosecution and defense teams giving opening statements.

The football hall of famer is charged with murdering his ex-wife, Nicole

Brown Simpson, and her friend, Ronald Goldman. Both were found slain June 12, 1994.

The trial began Monday with a videotape that showed police walking through pools of the victims' blood. The day ended with Simpson asking to make an opening statement to declare his innocence in his own words.

However, Judge Lance Ito denied the request, stating there was no court precedent.

He said Simpson could show his scars resulting from football injuries,

which could prove that there was no physically possible way that he could have murdered the victims.

The trial continued on Tuesday with the prosecution's opening statements. Marcia Clark laid out the prosecution's seven-month case against Simpson in a few hours.

During this time she showed jurors graphic photographs of the slain victims.

Although Ito had warned the audience about showing emotions, gasps were heard as the crime scene photos

were shown in the courtroom, but not on television.

During the showing of the photographs, the courtroom's television showed an alternate juror briefly when she leaned forward in her seat.

Ito immediately terminated the broadcasts and threatened to deny the media access to the courtroom, much to the defense's chagrin.

Simpson's lawyers argued that they wanted equal time on national television to present their point of view. Ito relented, letting a camera film the trial

in one wide-angle position.

Day three of the trial began with the defense's opening remarks. The lawyers stressed how the investigation was rushed in order to find the killer quickly.

They attempted to show how the blood was contaminated and some of the witnesses' statements were not checked out.

As Simpson began what could be the most important game of his life, a captive audience watched to see whether he would win his freedom or fumble the ball.

THE O.J. SIMPSON CASE

For more information about the O.J. Simpson case, see page 9

OUR VIEW

University should be honest about its tuition costs

When the Board of Regents decided to raise tuition last week, it once again proved that the University is providing a misleading educational package in terms of cost.

Of course, it is no surprise to students that tuition prices would eventually go up, but the size of the increase over a short period of time is quite dramatic, if not shocking.

In 1991, tuition costs per undergraduate credit hour were \$53 for Missourians and \$96 for out-of-state students. Next year, residents and non-residents will pay \$76 and \$132.50, respectively.

That's about a 43 percent increase over five years for in-state students — an increase that ridiculously surpasses not only the rate of inflation, but also a student's ability to pay for an education.

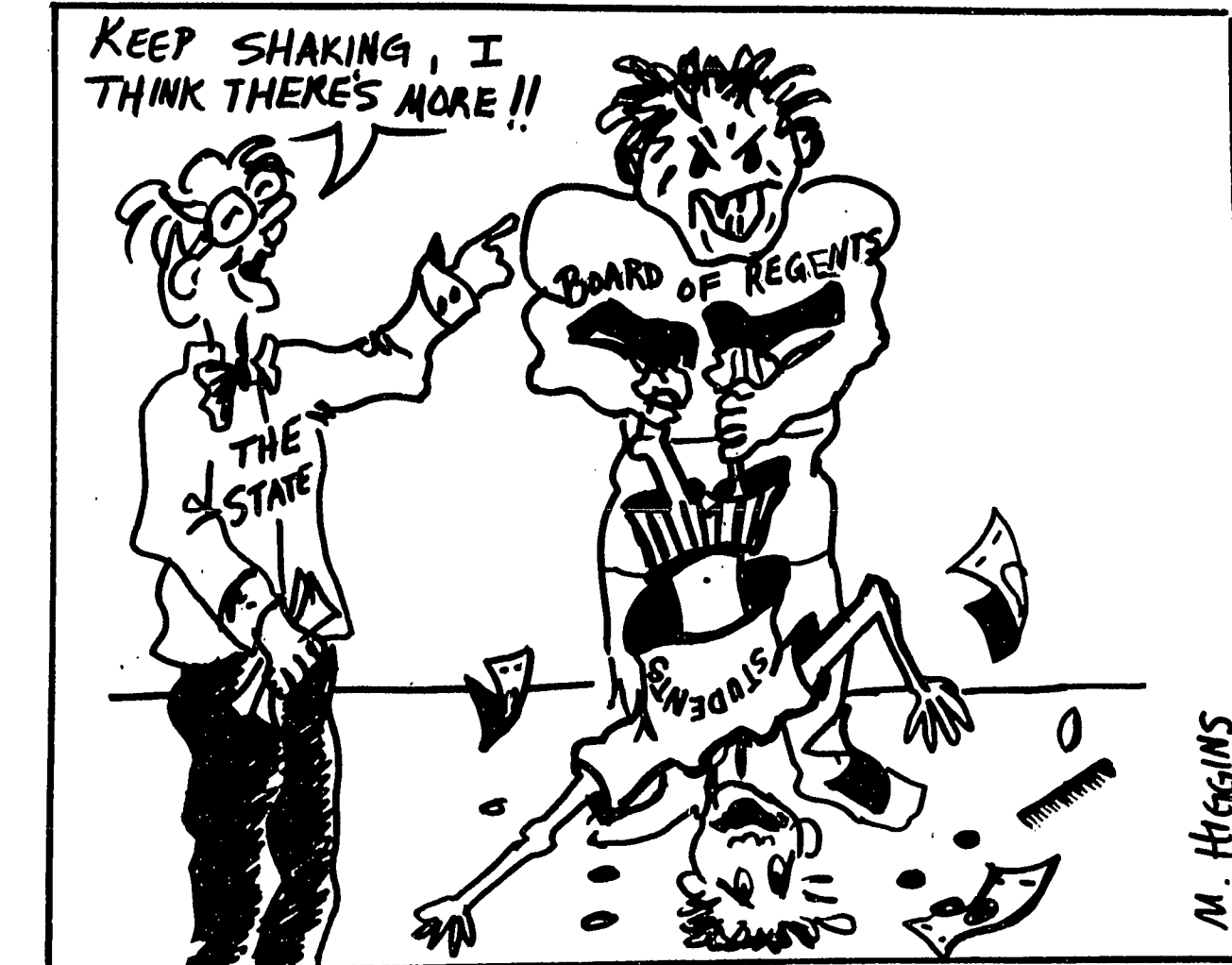
This is not fair to students who may buy into an affordable package when searching for the right college to attend, keeping costs a top priority on their shopping lists. Many families often sketch out a plan to pay for college; some parents even get the numbers down to an exact dollar figure.

However, when jumps in tuition catch students off-guard, they can be left with no means to pay for their education in order to finish their degrees. Some students will be forced to withdraw, and the University loses many "valued" customers.

But even though a tuition freeze would be the most ideal proposal for students' wallets, Northwest cannot be expected to comply. Each year, institutional costs go up and the state refuses to fill the void, which forces students to pick up the rest of the tab.

But is there a solution to satisfying both consumer and supplier? We suggest the University make a contract with its future clientele — a contract that promises no more surprises.

The proposal is simple. Prospective students are promised that their current tuition will not increase any higher than 10 percent within an average five-year career at Northwest. The University will be allowed to



raise tuition for the following freshman classes, but the tuition increase will in no way affect students who have already put at least a year into the academic program.

Of course, some students will be paying significantly higher tuition than their older counterparts, but they will be well aware of what they were getting into when they apply at this University.

The contract, imperfect as it may be, is fair, because students can more precisely plan their education and how they will pay for it. It is also a fair plan for the University, which can surely be expected to raise tuition again next year.

If Northwest truly wishes to comply with Total

Editorials and cartoons express the views of the Northwest Missourian. Observations elsewhere on the page represent independent viewpoints of columnists and readers.

CAMPUS VOICE

How will the tuition increase affect you?

"I would probably end up looking for another college. Since it's the normal every-year increase, I could probably still go my four years here."

Russel Stull

"I'm struggling already, so it will affect me drastically. I'll probably still go here but if not, it's OK, I guess."

Josh Norris

"I won't come back. I could pay for it but if I am paying more, I'd rather go to a better school."

Katherine Taylor

"I probably won't come back because I'm already paying a lot right now."

Charlene McKunkin

"It will affect me because I'm trying to pay for tuition now and when it increases, I'll have to pay for it again."

Liana Nelson

"I don't think it will affect me because I'll be getting married and I'll be getting more financial aid or my father will pay for it."

Mindy Fulton

MY TURN

Want respect? Tell them how you feel



Cody Walker
Assistant Editor

Friends need not be fake in order to be nice

Now that I am halfway through my senior year of college, I have finally been given the chance to spill my beans.

After all, it is my turn, right?

You know, I like my friends, acquaintances and associates — hell, doesn't everyone? And we all know that it's nice to have people to share, talk and do things with.

Sure, friends are a nice addition to life, but my bag of beans is about the fakes. You know — those who pretend to be cool with you to your face and then crack on you once you are out of earshot. I'm tired of them, I don't want to waste any more oxygen on them and I don't plan to.

If you are honest with me and tell me straight forwardly where you are

coming from and support your ideas and reasons intelligently, I will listen.

And I will respect you, but I ask you to respond with the same courtesy.

It's true I might not agree with you, and that is fine; no one said everyone has to agree in order to retain a healthy relationship. In fact, I think it is better to disagree once in a while.

Frankly, I don't give a damn if you don't like me because of my color, size, looks or beliefs. Hell, that's all on you. If those are the reasons, don't waste your time or mine putting up a front. Life is too short to waste it on someone who isn't worth it.

One thing that drives me crazy is when someone will talk to you one minute and not the next.

Oh please, I'm not a TV channel

that you cannot choose when and when not to pay attention to. If you are a real friend (or whatever) to me or anyone else for that matter, you should be able to acknowledge your friends at all times.

And you should do so on all days, good or bad.

I didn't say you had to hold a conversation. Just 'Hey, what's up,' or 'Hi, how you doing?'

That doesn't sound too difficult, does it?

I didn't think so. Hopefully my little outburst will make you think about your friends, friendships and perhaps even your own actions.

After all, you can't ask for or expect treatment you are not willing to give. Can you?

VOICE IN THE CROWD

Omaha road trip spotlights cycle of poverty



Jon Lewis
Columnist

Without outside support, inner city families cannot get out of poor, dangerous areas

Urban decay and social injustice were the last things on my mind as I prepared to visit my best friend in Omaha, Neb.

I was expecting to drop by a few of the local drinking establishments and watch the 49ers destroy the Cowboys, but the unplanned circumstances proved to be much more interesting.

Steve is a graduate student majoring in urban geography, and he recently completed a study of the social conditions of North Omaha. This area of Omaha has a reputation for being a very dangerous place where drugs and crime are a part of daily life.

He told me a little about the area, and I thought I would like to see it for myself. He said that if we wanted to go, we should do so early in the day when there is less chance of trouble.

I really wanted to see what North Omaha was like, but I must admit, I wasn't sure if it was worth the risk. I had heard many stories of carjacking and random violence that plague the area, and I knew it would be a very dangerous situation.

After debating with myself whether or not I should go, I figured that if I didn't see for it myself, I may never know the truth.

We left Steve's apartment at 11 a.m. As we approached North Omaha,

I noticed several amazing changes. The well-kept four-lane streets of the predominantly white neighborhoods went through a metamorphosis.

The roads quickly changed into two lanes, which were filled with potholes. The trees and grass that lined those roadways seemed to disappear, and it seemed that I had entered a different country.

Large houses with green lawns transformed into public housing units the size of dorm rooms, though not as nice as housing at Northwest. It was obvious that nobody had tried to maintain the area, and I couldn't even imagine having to live there.

Steve told me that most of the people in that area didn't have a car, which made it very difficult to find and keep a job. Also, a great number of businesses moved away, making the only available work miles from the area. These people were indeed trapped in their community.

I know that a one-hour drive through the inner city doesn't give me an accurate perception of what life is like there, but I have gained a different perspective.

When I returned to Northwest, I wanted to talk to some people about what I had experienced.

I spoke to one of my good friends,

who is from Maryville, about the situation in North Omaha. It soon became clear that this person did not have the same perception that I did.

He thought the streets and public housing units were in decay because the residents were "lazy" people who didn't take care of them and didn't really want to leave.

He said it was their fault that the streets hadn't been repaired in several years. It was their fault that trees and grass no longer grew. It was just their fault and basically their problem.

As U.S. citizens we all must take the blame for conditions such as these. Nobody would choose to live in those surroundings. There must be some reason why neighborhoods change so dramatically when you enter a place called North Omaha.

Individuals in this nation too often pass responsibility for our social problems to the next person. Someday the problems will come back to the ones who passed them by.

A sign is posted as you enter North Omaha that warns travelers not to leave their cars under any circumstances. Until signs like this are not needed, no person in this country will ever be "free." Some will be trapped in their community, others trapped in their cars.

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BARKER'S BITES

Weekly cheers and jeers by Derrick Barker.

Jeers to the Board of Regents for raising tuition ... again. How do universities expect you to afford school these days? Try getting a spot on the "Jeopardy" game show. With all that trivia knowledge gained from those general education courses, you might be able to win some of your tuition money back.

Cheers to the justice system for finally starting the O.J. Simpson trial this week. Message to Judge Lance Ito: Don't look so bored.

Jeers to Republicans who wish to pull the plug on public television and public radio. Perhaps they are trying to rid the viewing audience of quality programs and gutsy documentaries in order to make room for the Rush Limbaugh Channel. Arm your remote controls, folks.

Jeers to the state of Maine for wanting to put a "smack tax" on Girl Scout cookies. Don't be surprised to see Maine residents crossing the border to purchase a \$2.50 box of thin mints in New Hampshire. More work for the state patrol!

Cheers to Rose Kennedy for living a long, prosperous life. If only she had been born a few decades later, she would have been an incredible politician instead of a great politician's wife.

Jeers to Bill Clinton for boring us with his long, touchy-feely State of the Union address. Zzzz.

Jeers to Budweiser for planning to show yet another "Bud Bowl." Who cares if Bud or Bud Light wins the game? Put Bud and Coors in the ring and show us some real action.

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Council examines old street names

By JASON CISPER
MISSOURIAN STAFF

"College" and "university" are synonymous for some, but for many Maryville residents, the difference spells trouble.

The controversy is because of a proposal before the Maryville City Council to change the name of College Avenue to University Avenue.

The proposal also seeks to rename College Drive as University Drive.

University officials had suggested the renaming of streets to correlate with a new city map being prepared by the Greater Maryville Chamber of Commerce.

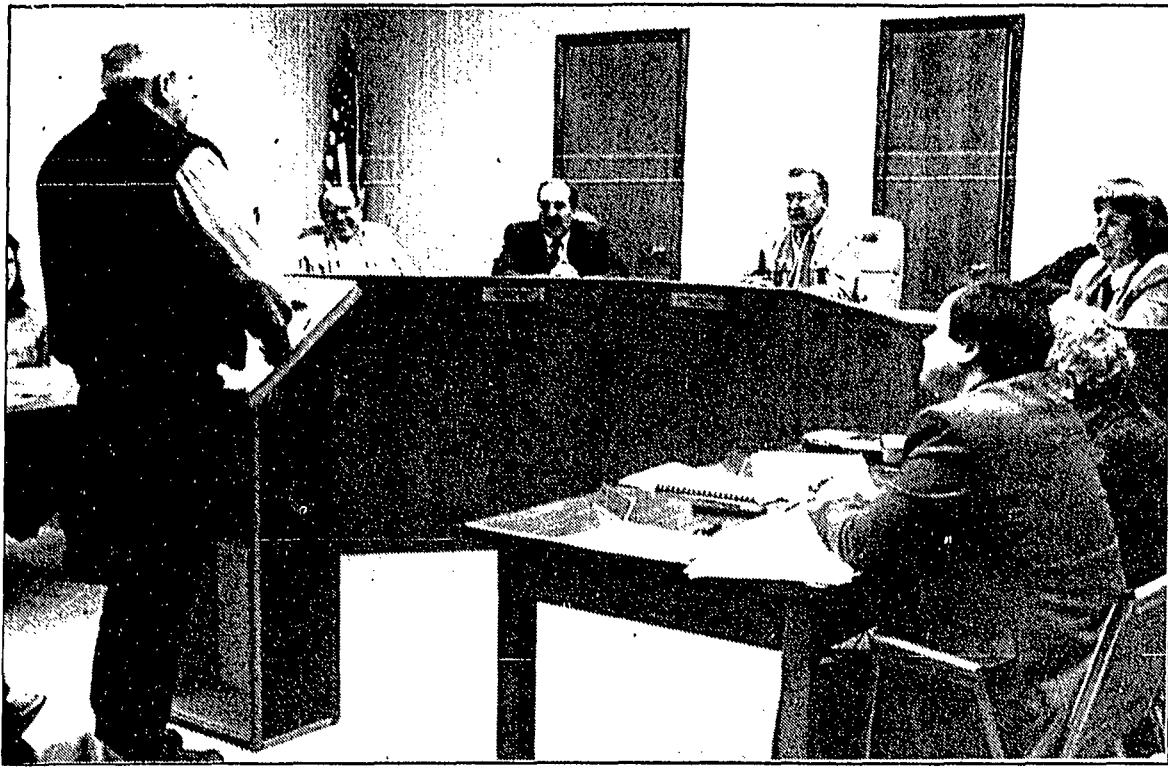
"We at the University have come to recognize that there is a problem giving directions to visitors coming to campus for the first time," Bob Henry, public relations officer, said. "The fact that Fourth Street changes names out of the blue is confusing in itself."

Monday night the issue was brought before the City Council and was opened for discussion.

Jessica Elgin, Student Senate president, offered an alternate plan to please both sides of the issue.

"Giving the streets dual names, not changing the mailing addresses, would prevent added costs and still make the University easier to find," Elgin said.

Many of the residents of Fourth Street and College Avenue were opposed to the renaming. Arguments concerned time and cost factors in sending out change of address notices.



JON BRITTON/Photography Director

DENNIS MARTIN EXPRESSES disapproval of the proposed name change to College Ave. Maryville residents and students were invited to the City Council meeting to discuss the name change.

"I don't understand why the University is allowed to bully the city like this," Joe Bellanger, a local resident, said.

"The change is nothing but a big hassle and the city will have to pay the tab," he said.

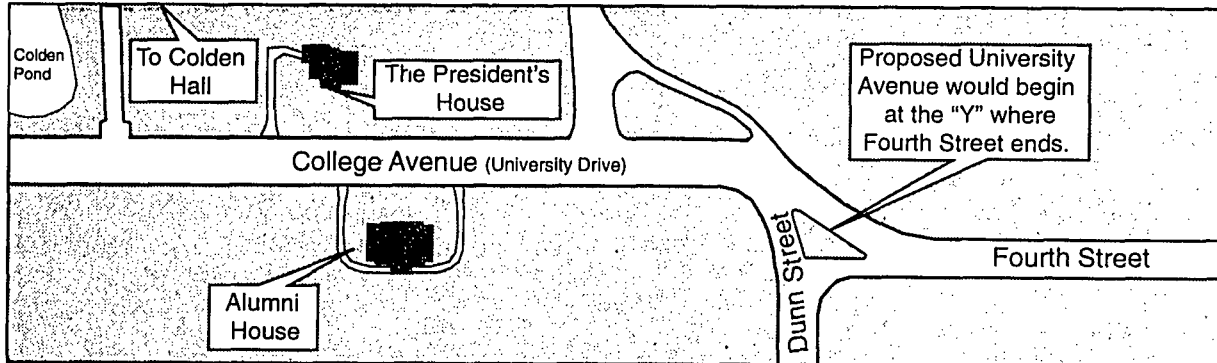
Dennis Martin, also a resident of Fourth Street, was upset at the news.

"I had no idea this was going on, but I'm certainly opposed to it," he said.

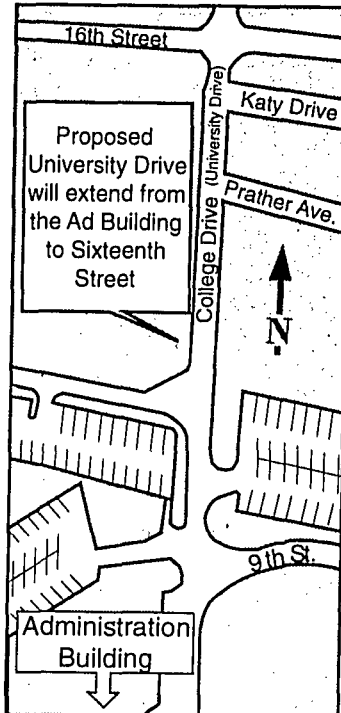
Members of Phi Sigma Kappa fraternity joined in the dissension for different reasons.

"940 College Ave. is the first thing that comes to an alumni's mind when you mention the University," Jim Eaton, Phi Sig alumni president, said. "It's a tradition, and we'd like to keep the tradition around."

The change will be brought up again at the next Council meeting Feb. 14.



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University professor pursues local office

By SUSAN LORIMOR
MISSOURIAN STAFF

Reflecting on the various places his life has taken him, a government professor has decided it is time to move into politics.

In his last semester at Northwest, English said he believes the time is now for Maryville to make a move for a bigger future. This is part of his vision of the city.

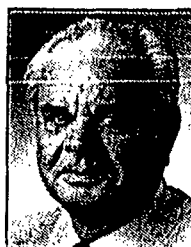
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The Feb. 7 primary will narrow the field to four candidates.

Two council representatives will then be selected during the April 4 general election.



George English, government professor

strength I can lend to the city there."

Other key issues he will address are housing quality and the building industry. He believes the presence of Lake Mozingo is part of the solution in strengthening the

building industry.

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Community open forum to focus on city's health

To focus on making Maryville healthier, a community open forum, sponsored by St. Francis Hospital, will take place from 7 to 9 p.m. Monday in the Northwest Conference Center.

The focus of discussion will be "Are You Living In A Healthy Community?"

Small group discussion, led by local community members, will target steps to take in propelling Maryville into a healthier community.

Rollie Staldman, St. Francis Hospital Foundation board member, will be the master of ceremonies for the evening. Dr. Gerald Wilmes will open the evening's discussion by reviewing the basic elements of a healthy community.

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5 p.m. PRSSA will meet in 141 Wells Hall.
5 p.m. SMSTA pizza party in the Horace Mann Basement.
5:30 p.m. The Turret Society will meet in the Stockman's Room in the Student Union.
7:30 p.m. Comedian George Wallace will perform at the Mary Linn Performing Arts Center.

27 FRIDAY

2 p.m. Tim Gilmour VPAA candidate, will be in University Club North.
7 & 9:30 p.m. Movie, "Clear and Present Danger," in the Mary Linn.
9 p.m. Sigma Kappa event in University Club North in the Student Union.

28 SATURDAY

2 p.m. IFC Campus Quality's Skate-A-Thon at Skate Country.
5 p.m. Sigma Kappa's Recognition Banquet in the Union Ballroom in the Student Union.
9 p.m. Alpha Phi Alpha party in Conference Center.

29 SUNDAY

9 p.m. Sigma Kappa's executive meeting in the Roberta Chapter Room.

30 MONDAY

3 p.m. Sigma Kappa directory pictures.
7:30 p.m. William Trowbridge's poetry reading at The Bookstop. Table Tennis Singles deadline in the Campus Rec Office.

31 TUESDAY

5 p.m. Sigma Kappa will meet in 218 Garrett-Strong.

FEB 1 WEDNESDAY

5:30 p.m. Women's basketball vs. CMSU in Bearcat Arena.
7:30 p.m. Men's basketball vs. CMSU in Bearcat Arena.
Black History month begins. The Black Hall of Fame in the University Club South.

Senate addresses dating dilemma

Meeting also focuses on unauthorized flyers, popular menu changes

By KAREN GATES
MISSOURIAN STAFF

The touchy issue of students and faculty sexual dating would not be allowed if a proposal gains enough support.

The Equal Employment Opportunity Committee proposed the idea to various groups in hopes of gaining support on an issue that would ban sexual relationships between faculty and students.

The committee will present its proposal to the Board of Regents on March 15.

The topic was brought up in regards to a letter written by Annette Weymuth, executive assistant to the president.

The proposal would make it unethical for faculty members and supervisors to engage in romantic relationships with University students.

Student Senate members are interested in learning about students' responses on the issue.

"I am very curious how students will respond to this kind of an issue," Laura Stageman, Senate secretary, said.

Weymuth will be at the next Student Senate meeting on Tuesday to answer any questions on the issue.

In other Senate business, it was noted that the Lamkin Activity Cen-

ter is up for an award by *Athletic Business* magazine. The award is for the best athletic facilities renovation, and if honored the center will be featured in a two-to-four page spread in the magazine.

The magazine said Northwest is one of the higher contenders for the award.

Members also discussed being unhappy about the unapproved posted flyers containing profane language for Molly's Bar. They are asking students to remove any of the flyers they see.

Senate would like to emphasize that posters may not be put up or placed on campus unless they are approved beforehand.

Senate members were also informed that starting next week campus dining will offer students hot dishes and different choices of fruit in the deli.

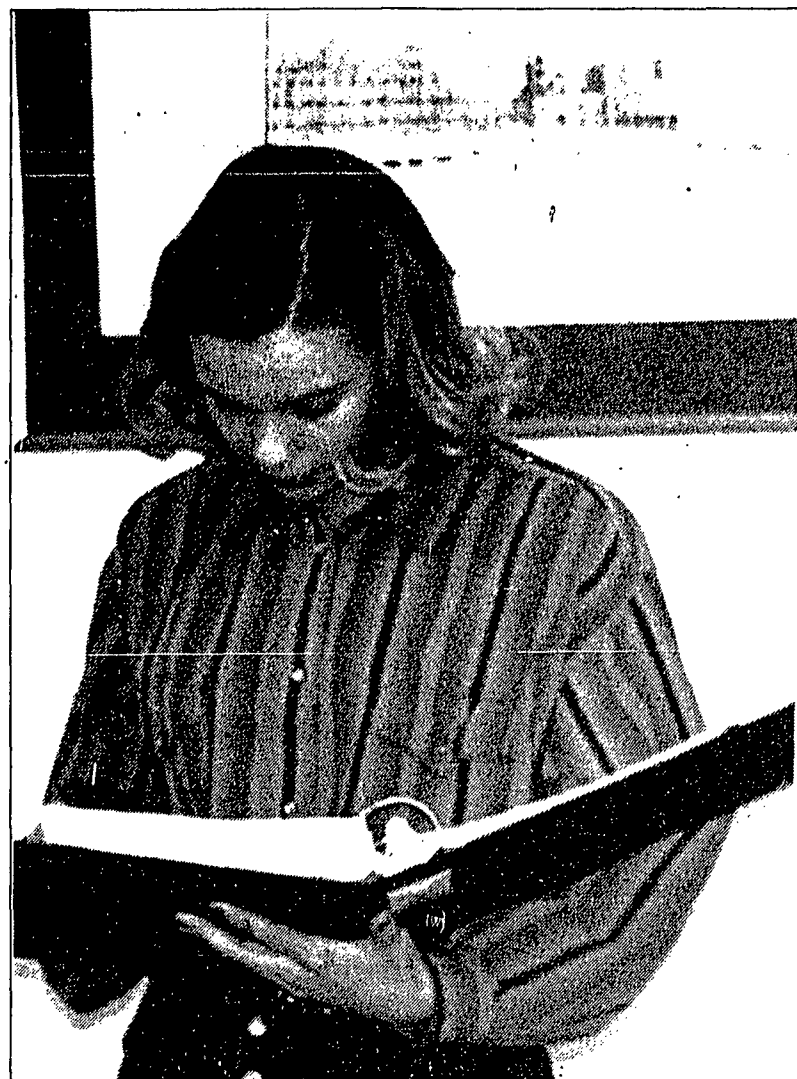
Towerview will also add a vegetarian dish to the menu.

A fat and calorie chart comparing various offered items will also be reposted at the request of various students.

Students are pleased with the changes the dining services are trying to make.

"I think it's great students could help make things better," Lorena Castro, Senate member, said. "I'm also glad the dining services have been so receptive."

Space is the only problem the deli is having on bringing about the changes.



STACY MEYER/Missourian Staff

LAURA STAGEMAN, STUDENT Senate secretary, reads the minutes from the last Student Senate meeting. At Tuesday's meeting members discussed a proposal to ban faculty and student dating. This issue has been around since last year.

AWARDS & RECOGNITIONS

■ KNWT-TV has announced its spring semester lineup of evening shows for Monday through Thursday.
7 p.m. News 8.
7:30 p.m. The Remote Stops Here.
8 p.m. Wired.
8:30 p.m. Bearcat Update.
9 p.m. Boots-N-Spurs.

■ William Trowbridge, distinguished professor of English, will conduct readings and sign copies of "O Paradise," his new book of poetry, at the Bookstop at 7:30 p.m.

"O Paradise" is currently being published by the University of Arkansas Press. Trowbridge has been nominated four times for the widely recognized Pushcart Prize offered by the Pushcart Press of Wainscott, N.Y.

■ Northwest graduate Traci Tornquist will return and perform a guest recital at 8 p.m. Wednesday.

The performance is free and will take place in the Charles Johnson Theater.
Tornquist, who obtained her master's degree in voice performance from the University of Nebraska-Lincoln, has been performing with the San Francisco Opera Chorus for the past six years.

CAMPUS CRIME

Campus Safety and Campus Judiciary reports

■ Six charges - male - two incidents. Charges include: disorderly conduct; assault; failure to comply with University officials; disobeying quiet/courtesy hours; second-degree burglary/stealing.

He was found in violation and placed on strict campus conduct probation, all inclusive through Jan. 1, 1996. He was required to move from the residence halls to another living unit and fined \$100. The appeal was upheld.

■ Two charges - female. Charges include: endangering the safety of others; tampering with safety equipment. She was placed on campus conduct probation all inclusive until March 15, and is required to attend an After Hours program.

■ Three charges - male. Charges in-

clude: endangering self — did not leave area during a fire alarm; failure to comply with University officials; providing false information.

He was placed on strict campus conduct probation but is still allowed to represent the University in any public performance and receive financial assistance from any University source through Dec. 31, and fined \$50.

■ First offense - male. Found in violation of the alcohol rule. He was placed on campus conduct probation, all inclusive through Nov. 8, and must attend an After Hours program.

■ Second offense - male. He was found in violation of both alcohol and his probation. He was placed on strict campus conduct probation, all inclusive through Nov. 8, and must attend an After Hours pro-

gram. He was fined \$100.

■ Disorderly conduct - male - not in violation.

■ Three charges - male - two incidents. Charges include: second violation of alcohol; smoking on a non-smoking floor; third violation of alcohol. He was placed on strict campus conduct probation all inclusive but is still allowed to receive financial assistance from any University source through May 13.

■ Four charges - male. Charges include: disorderly conduct; failure to comply with University officials; violation of quiet/courtesy hours; causing damages/vandalism. He was placed on strict campus conduct probation but is allowed to represent the University in any public performance and remain eligible for financial assistance from any University source through May 13,

and must pay restitution for damages.

■ Male. Charges include: misuse of computers involving chain letters. He was placed on campus conduct probation which includes near dismissal from the residence halls and/or from the University through May 13. E-mail was revoked during probation. Through appeal his privileges are restricted for January 1995 only and will be reinstated for the rest of the semester.

■ Male. Charges include: littering violation and violation of probation. He was issued a conduct warning.

■ 1-18-95— Officers were dispatched to the Mary Linn Performing Arts Center to investigate a report of smoke in the building. Upon arrival, the scene shop area was

filled with smoke. The Maryville Fire Department was contacted and responded. Source of smoke was found in an air duct and the smoldering object was extinguished.

■ 1-20-95— A male reported that while his vehicle was parked in front of Brown Hall, persons unknown broke out the driver's side window. No items were taken from the vehicle.

■ 1-20-95— A male non-student was issued a state summons for trespassing.

■ 1-20-95— A male reported that while his vehicle was parked on the south side of Wells Hall, it was stolen. The vehicle was left unattended while it was running and unlocked. Description of the vehicle was entered into the National Crime Information Computer.



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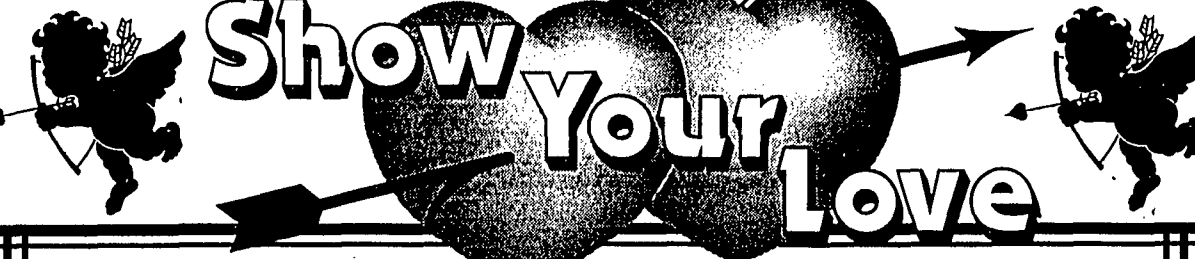
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Bond allows renovations

Progress in Colden Hall will bring faculty offices, classrooms up to date

By CHRIS TRIEBSCHE
CHIEF REPORTER

Imagine walking into a classroom full of televisions, telephones and other electronic gadgets, where the information superhighway is running through the aisles for students' use. If administrators have their way, a renovated Colden Hall would look just like that.

University President Dean Hubbard said the renovations should begin in the middle of summer or during the fall semester, but there is not a target date for completion.

"I think we could easily make a mistake by putting a fast-track time line on them and end up making compromises in terms of quality," Hubbard said. "We will take whatever time is needed to do the job right."

Extensive construction such as the Lamkin renovation causes quite a racket. The noise level could become a problem if renovations occur during class periods. Although administrators have discussed that issue, a solution has not yet been decided.

The actual renovation plans also

have not been finalized. Hubbard said the wish list exceeds the amount of money available, but students will definitely be put first on the priority list.

"We are going to look at the classrooms first and what we can do to make the most modern classrooms in the world in terms of technology," he said.

These technologies could include the use of computers, interactive two-way video, and one-way video, two-way voice in each classroom. This would allow connections to the classroom so students could see people on the television and ask them questions, just as the popular AT&T commercials portray.

The rooms could also include conference calling. This would allow faculty members to use phones and speakers as a learning tool for students by allowing them to talk to people outside the classroom during class.

"It will place us at the cutting edge," Hubbard said. "We are going to put in the latest that is there. We are going to avoid fads and emphasize flexibility so that we can change as technology changes. Our focus is on coming out of this with classrooms that are 21st century classrooms."

To accomplish that, Hubbard said he wanted the renovations to be more

than just moving around walls and painting them.

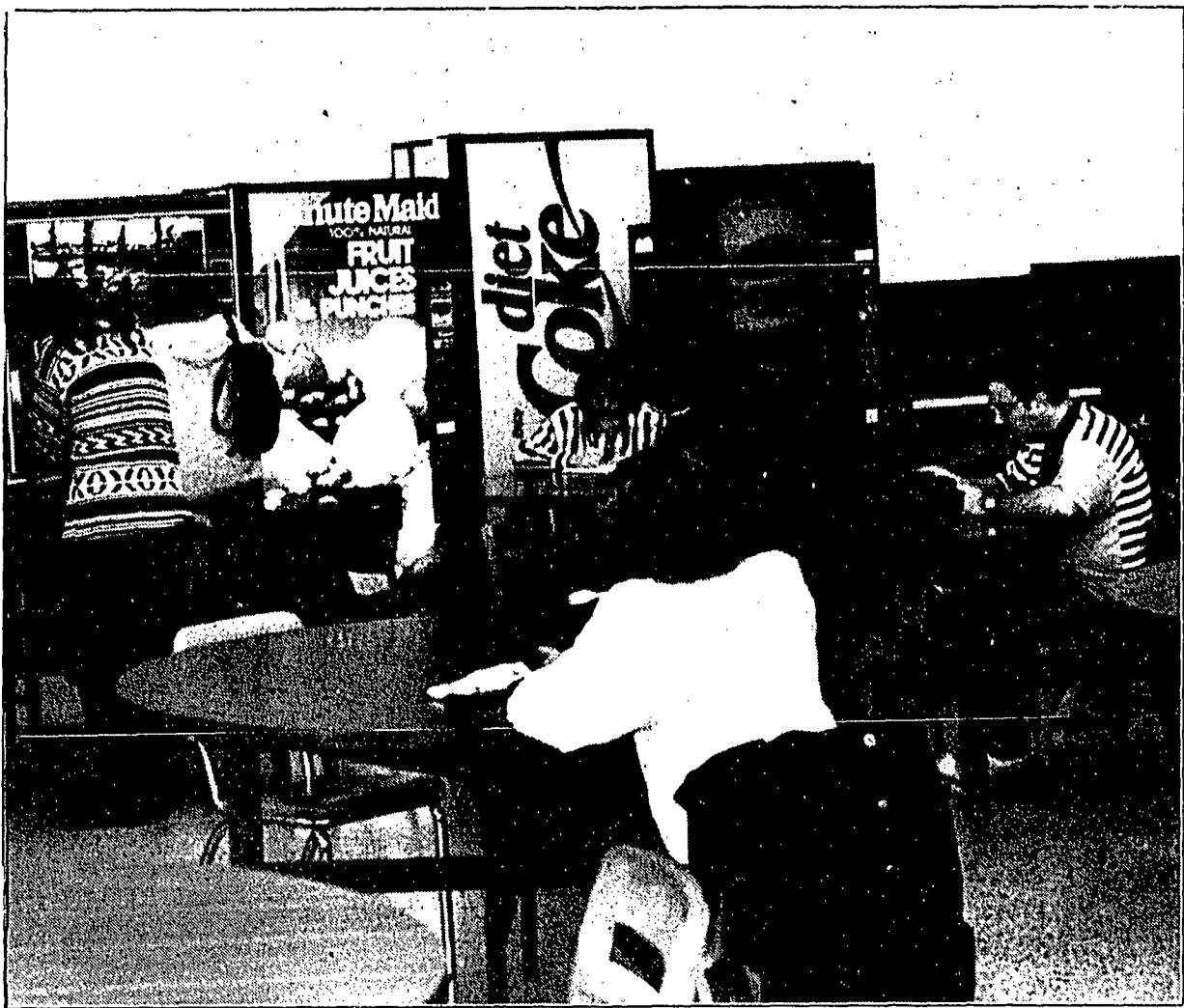
Hubbard said the second priority will be faculty offices. He said he wants to create offices to encourage faculty to work together as a team. It is not yet known how that will be designed to accomplish that.

The last priority will be the Administration Building. Hubbard said he hopes to cluster the student services on the first floor around the student services desk, putting financial aid, the Registrar's office and career guidance counseling on that floor.

Most of the administrative offices would move to a higher floor. The only potential non-movers are the president's office and the vice president for Academic Affairs office. Hubbard said it would not be cost effective to tear them down and move them.

The Board of Regents approved the recommended construction company and architects at its Jan. 18 meeting. Cost, Planning & Management International Inc. was the chosen construction company, while Gould Evans Associates will do the architectural work.

The University is receiving a \$3.9 million bond for building improvements.



JASON WENTZEL/Missourian Staff

STUDENTS CATCH A break between classes in the lounge on first floor of Colden Hall. Renovations to Colden may include the modernization of the classrooms and reorganization of faculty offices.

Computers to quicken loan process

New direct lending will help end lengthy waits when borrowing money

By JASON CISPER
MISSOURIAN STAFF

Long waits associated with student loans will be dramatically cut thanks in part to an update of the financial aid system.

Del Morley, director of financial assistance, said direct lending will be Northwest's latest craze for students seeking government aid.

"Direct loans will get out much faster, and there will be less paperwork for students," Morley said.

"Not to mention that we dealt with so many different lenders — this consolidates things."

Stafford loans originally took several weeks to process because each student was borrowing money from a bank.

The extra paperwork contributed to the problem.

The new loans borrow money directly from the federal government instead of going through the University and are handled electronically.

"What used to take from two to five weeks will now only take a matter of days," Morley said.

"There was skepticism at first, but the loan program has been successful in other schools."

Morley said the change will take effect for the 1995-96 school year. He believes the new direct loan will eventually replace the outdated Stafford loan.

"(The loan) will save the federal government several billion dollars in the long run," Morley said.

Many students are also looking forward to the benefits of change.

"The bottom line is, the money reaches me faster," Joe Kellogg said. "That's a good enough reason for me to like it."

Morley said he believes that despite the obvious benefits, Congress may choose to slow the process.

"The new Congress may try to slow things to learn more about the loan, but perhaps they'll see how much the government stands to make," he said.

Despite the enthusiasm, some students still remain wary of the process.

"It can't be that easy," Chad Nourse said. "Nothing involving the financial aid office is ever easy."

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Month to honor black history

By CODY WALKER
ASSISTANT EDITOR

What began as Carter G. Woodson's idea to honor black Americans, Negro History week successfully flourished into the 1976 decision to make February Black History month.

Through the combined work of the Alliance of Black Collegians and Multicultural Affairs, activities in February hope to educate and inform.

Louis Sanders, president of ABC, said the purpose of Black History month and the planned activities is to educate and re-educate.

"Overall the activities are fun," Sanders said. "Most of them are for introducing people to things they might not have known before."

A panel discussion concerning the differences between black Americans and Africans has been added to the list of past events such as the Buffalo Soldiers presentation, movie night, the black American hall of fame and a play called "What about Black Womyn?"

Sanders said the discussion will consist of students and will have a question/answer period.

"We will also have information from the prejudice reduction work-

Black History Event:
Black History
Hall of Fame
Wednesday in the
University Club South.

shop to show some differences and similarities between people," Sanders said.

American Indians named the black men who were recruited to fight in the Civil War Buffalo Soldiers, as they viewed them as being fierce and strong like the animals, Pat Foster, director of multicultural affairs, said.

"The Buffalo Soldiers are from a certain period of time in history when the military was totally segregated," Foster said.

Foster said that the topic of AIDS and the HIV virus will be the focus in "What about Black Womyn?"

A black history hall of fame will be on display Wednesday.

"Different pictures of famous African Americans will be displayed and information on them will be posted," Lonita Rowland said.

Rowland said she was not taught black history in high school, but

took it upon herself to learn about various people in history she heard mentioned by teachers.

"In our history books there has been so much exclusion," Foster said. "Traditionally how they were written is that everything has been done by white males. They have excluded females, African Americans, Hispanic Americans, American Indians and Asian Americans, and the contributions they have made."

Education is the main goal of ABC throughout Black History month, Sanders said.

"The month is good for African American students and for non-African American students," Foster said. "We need to know all the contributions of all different groups and understand how they all come together."

Foster said school curriculums have changed a great deal over the past few years, but they still have a long way to go.

Black History month is for anyone who has a curiosity about African Americans, Rowland said.

"It is a time for them to look at us for what we are and not the stereotypes portrayed about us," she said.

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CHARLES FRYE, ASSOCIATE professor of geology and geography, visits a Polish site during his six weeks in Poland as part of the exchange program. Professor Jerzy Suwinski, dean of the College of Chemistry at STU, visited Northwest also as part of the exchange program.

Courtesy of Charles Frye



Sheriff finds stolen car east of Maryville

By APRIL BURGE
MISSOURIAN STAFF

Everyone has done it. Whether it is to get a quick drink at a convenience store, or to pick up a friend at a residence hall, people leave their cars running without thinking twice about it being stolen.

That is exactly what one student did at 1:15 a.m. Saturday, and he received the shock of his life. When he returned approximately 30 seconds later, his 1990 red Ford Probe had vanished into thin air from the visitor's parking lot of Wells Hall.

"I was devastated," he said. The victim immediately called 911, which automatically connected him with Campus Safety.

At this point, Campus Safety was responsible for the case, but the sheriff's department was still in search of the missing vehicle and the suspects involved.

Two days went by without any reported sightings of the stolen vehicle.

Finally, at approximately 4 p.m. Monday, Nodaway County Sheriff Ben Espey located the car three miles northwest of Ravenwood, Mo., which is 10 miles east of Maryville.

The *Maryville Daily Forum* reported that Espey found the vehicle with no significant damage; however, the victim said his car was totaled. He is receiving full compensation for it through his insurance company.

The *Forum* also noted that camera equipment worth \$8,000 was missing from the back seat of the vehicle. However, the stolen equipment was actually taken from the trunk of the car.

Although the sheriff's department located the vehicle, the case still falls under the jurisdiction of Campus Safety, which was reluctant to release any information on the case.

Campus Safety officers refused to answer any questions and referred all inquiries to Bob Henry, public relations officer, who could not be reached for comment.

The case is still under investigation.

Professor shares stories of Poland

"They (Polish students) do almost no writing as undergraduates. I spent quite a bit of time helping Polish graduates and faculty write abstracts in English."

Charles Frye
Associate Professor

Six-week exchange program enhances one's education; Frye brings memories home

By SUSAN PORTERFIELD
MISSOURIAN STAFF

Searching through the organized stacks on his desk, Charles Frye picks up a photo album and opens it to show the photos he had taken and then turns to the pages with foreign currency.

"I brought back some Polish money," Frye said. "At the time I was there, 45 American dollars equaled one million Polish."

The associate professor in geology/geography recently returned to Northwest from Silesian Technical University in Gliwice, Poland, after spending six weeks there as an exchange professor during the 1994 fall semester.

Professor Jerzy Suwinski, dean of the College of Chemistry at STU, lectured at Northwest for six weeks in the 1994 spring semester as part of the exchange program.

Frye was the first professor from Northwest to be involved in the program, but he hopes other professors will follow his lead.

Before leaving for Poland in the fall, Frye had an opportunity to meet and entertain

Suwinski at his home.

"I wanted to know what I was getting into," he said. "So, my wife and I had him out to our house for a weekend. He was more advantaged, though. He spoke English, and I didn't speak any Polish."

After arriving in the country, Frye had to become accustomed to the different system.

The colleges in STU, where he taught graduate students environmental law, were very separated and specific.

In fact, that university contains a dozen independent colleges, each having 6,000 students.

Northwest's colleges, on the other hand, are intertwined and include general requirements for the students.

"The most valuable thing I brought back was what I would call comparative education and probably a better understanding of how our own system works," he said.

In addition to differences between the colleges, Frye also noticed the difference in the preparation of the students.

"They (Polish students) do almost no writing as undergraduates," he said. "There is a problem in writing because they are not used to it. I spent quite a bit of time helping Polish graduate students and faculty write abstracts in English."

Frye did note that university students were more privileged in Poland because the government pays for their tuition, room and board, plus an additional stipend.

Some of the differences Frye noticed outside of the university were living arrangements. Many people lived in apartment buildings where they were given only one room to live in.

"I was actually in the rector's apartment, which is the same as the university president here," he said. "It had two rooms, which was considered a luxury."

As well as different living situations, Frye had some trouble with the language.

Even though he knew some of the language, he carried a translation book that helped in most situations. Now that he is back at Northwest, he plans to advise his students to take a foreign language of some kind.

Frye plans to share some of his other advice and experiences later in the semester by incorporating them in his classes. He will also talk to groups from the geography department.

"I see more clearly now how our education system really works," Frye said. "That may seem strange, but it's much like Americans who take a foreign language and in the process they learn more about the English language than they had ever known before."

Conference adds activity

Counselors and administrators will have the opportunity to check up on recent graduates from their schools at the annual Educators' Day Conference.

The event will take place Friday in the Union Ballroom. After registration, there will be a program, lunch and then student meetings.

This is the first year students and their respective high school counsel-

ors will have the opportunity to discuss how the University meets student needs, Beverly Schenkel, associate director of admissions, said.

The keynote speaker for the day will be John Littrell from Iowa State University. Littrell will conduct a workshop on "Brief Counseling." He was recommended for the event by a counselor who had heard him before.

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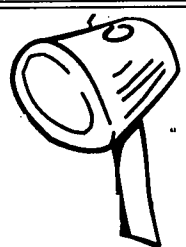
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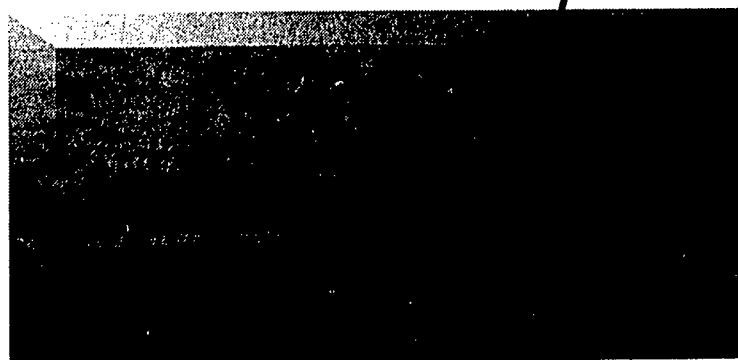
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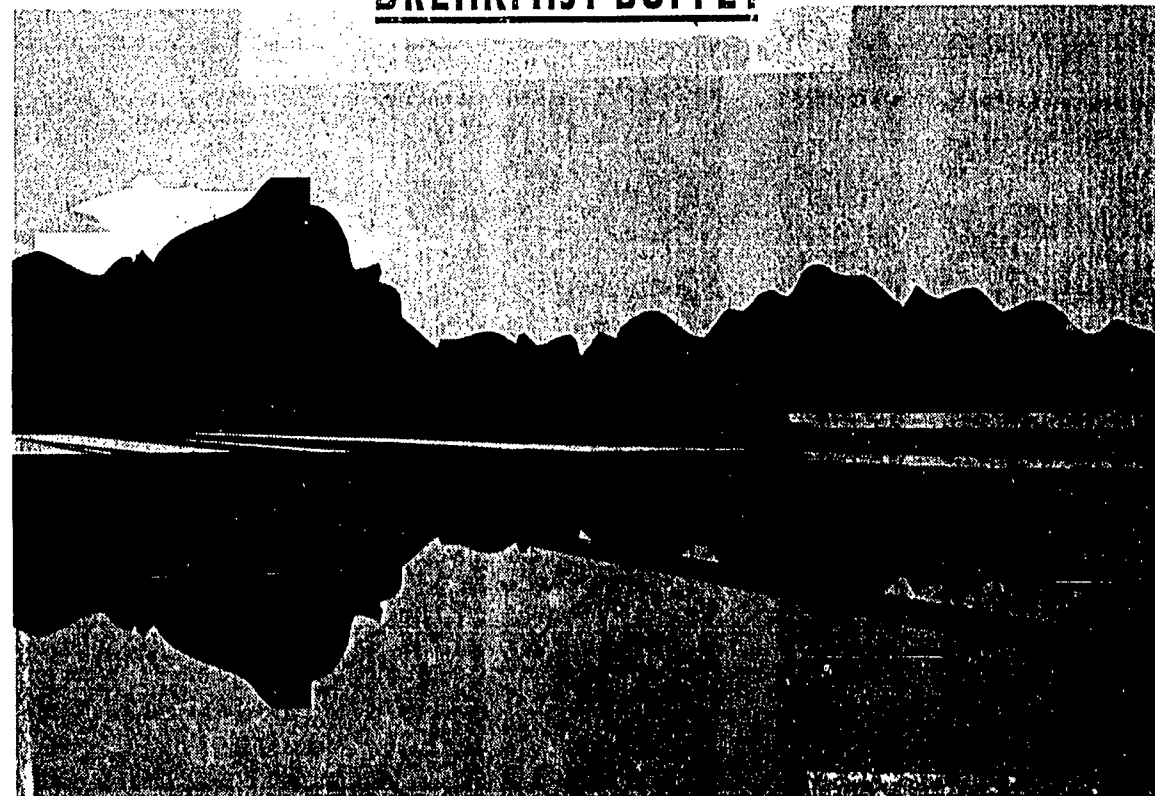


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Men's Basketball

Wednesday, Jan. 25
Northwest 86, Missouri Southern 101

	MIN	FG	FT	REB	A	PF	TP
Fidler	27	5-11	6-7	24	1	3	18
Szlanda	34	6-15	7-9	4-8	1	5	19
Jolley	12	3-8	0-2	6-8	1	5	8
Hoberg	38	0-1	0-0	0-2	4	1	0
Jones	25	4-16	3-4	24	4	2	11
Harms	7	1-2	0-0	0-0	0	2	2
Golden	21	6-12	2-2	2-7	3	4	16
Smith	13	0-3	0-0	0-2	1	1	0
Mauer	23	4-8	2-2	0-2	0	4	14

TOTALS 200 29-76 20-26 18-37 15 28 86
Percentages: FG—38.2, FT—76.9, 3-Point Goals 8-22, 36.4 (Mauer 4-6, Fidler 2-7, Golden 2-6, Hoberg 0-1) **Team rebounds:** 2 Blocked shots: 1 (Fidler) **Turnovers:** 10 (Jones 2, Fidler 2, Golden 2, Szlanda, Hoberg, Harms, Smith) **Steals:** 8 (Fidler 2, Smith 2, Jones 2, Jolley, Harms) **Technical fouls:** None (Attendance: 1,000 (est.))

Men's Basketball Standings

	W	L	W	L	W	L	W	L
1. CMSU (13)	6-1	857	15-2	882				
Northwest	6-1	857	12-5	706				
UMSL	6-1	857	10-6	625				
4. Washburn	5-2	714	14-3	824				
5. Mo. Western (11)	4-3	571	11-5	688				
Pittsburg State	4-3	571	8-8	500				
7. Mo. Southern	3-4	429	11-6	647				
8. Emporia State	2-5	286	8-9	471				
Northwest	2-5	286	8-9	471				
SBU	2-5	286	4-12	250				
11. Lincoln	1-6	143	9-8	529				
UMR	1-6	143	4-14	223				

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Mo. Southern 101, Northwest 86
 Pittsburg State 88, Mo. Western 84
 CMSU 84, UMR 78
 Northeast 98, SBU 96 OT
 Washburn 79, Emporia State 74
 UMSL 85, Lincoln 75

Women's Basketball

Wednesday, Jan. 25
Northwest 66, Missouri Southern 102

	MIN	FG	FT	REB	A	PF	TP
Ickes	27	4-8	2-3	1-3	1	3	10
Krohn	21	7-16	0-0	0-0	0	4	17
Rasmussen	24	4-6	0-0	2-7	0	2	8
Cummings	23	0-3	0-0	0-3	5	1	0
Oertel	18	0-4	0-0	0-1	1	1	0
Feaker	21	0-0	1-2	1-4	2	3	1
Coy	22	3-6	9-12	2-5	0	4	16
Laudont	13	2-3	1-1	2-2	2	2	6
Henry	14	1-3	0-0	2-6	2	1	2
Jorgensen	10	0-1	0-1	1-3	0	2	0
McCown	6	2-4	2-5	0-0	1	0	6
Kenyon	1	0-0	0-0	0-0	1	0	0

TOTALS 200 23-84 15-24 9-32 14 24 66
Percentages: FG—42.6, FT—62.5, 3-Point Goals 5-12, 41.7 (Krohn 3-5, Coy 1-1, Laudont 1-1, Cummings 0-1, Henry 0-1, Jorgensen 0-1) **Team rebounds:** 2 Blocked shots: None **Turnovers:** 37 (Cummings 7, Feaker 6, Henry 6, Oertel 4, Ickes 3, Krohn 3, McCown 3, Rasmussen 2, Laudont 2, Coy) **Steals:** 11 (Krohn 2, Oertel 2, Ickes, Cummings, Feaker, Laudont, Henry, Jorgensen, McCown) **Technical fouls:** None **Attendance:** 550

Women's Basketball Standings

	W	L	W	L	W	L	W	L
1. Mo. Western (4)	7-0	1,000	16-1	941				
2. Mo. Southern	6-1	857	12-5	705				
3. SBU (7)	5-2	714	13-2	866				
Washburn	5-2	714	12-4	750				
5. CMSU	4-3	571	13-4	765				
Pittsburg State (14)	4-3	571	14-3	824				
7. Emporia State	3-4	429	9-7	563				
UMR	3-4	429	9-8	530				
9. Northeast	2-5	286	5-11	313				
UMSL	2-5	286	7-9	438				
11. Northwest	1-6	143	8-8	500				
12. Lincoln	0-7	000	4-10	286				

() Rank in latest NCAA Division II Polls

Wednesday's MIAA results

Mo. Southern 102, Northwest 66
 Mo. Western 85, Pittsburg State 68
 CMSU 58, UMR 57
 Northeast 90, SBU 89 OT
 Washburn 64, Emporia State 42
 UMSL 84, Lincoln 71

PLAYER WATCH

Jacshelle Sasser

Class: Freshman
Hometown: Kansas City, Mo.
Previous School: Metro HS
Major: Communications
High school highlights: Qualified and placed in state track meet for jumping events
This season's stats: Set school and Lamkin Gym record in triple jump with leap of 40 feet, four inches
 Set Lamkin record in long jump of 59-1



Key Quote: "I would be happy if I knew why we're not shooting well, but I think it is mental confidence. We have tried everything. We have patted them on the back and kicked them in the butt and nothing seems to be working."

—Steve Tappmeyer
 Men's head basketball coach

Big Eight Basketball

	W	L	W	L	W	L	W	L
1. Kansas (7)	4-1	800	14-2	875				
2. Iowa State (12)	3-1	750	16-2	889				
3. Oklahoma State	2-1	667	12-6	667				
4. Missouri (16)	2-2	500	13-3	813				
5. Colorado	1-2	333	10-4	714				
Nebraska	1-2	333	14-4	778				
Oklahoma	1-2	333	14-4	778				
8. Kansas State	2-4	300	11-7	611				

() Rank in USA Today/CNN Coaches Poll

Monday's results

Kansas 84, Nebraska 67

Wednesday's results

Iowa State 81, Northern Iowa 62

Kansas State 87, Oklahoma 77

Today's game

Colorado at Missouri, 6 p.m.

Correction: Junior forward Julia Oertel was incorrectly identified as Leigh Rasmussen in the Jan. 19 issue of the *Missourian*. In the game against Rockhurst College, Oertel was second on the team in scoring, contributing 15 points including four three-pointers.

'Cats drop 3rd straight, 101-86

Northwest continues to falter in 2nd half; MIAA record now 2-5

By NATE OLSON
 CHIEF REPORTER

Losing three straight games is not head coach Steve Tappmeyer's idea of a successful road trip.

However, after dropping three straight conference contests, the Bearcats will take a break from the road to play Emporia State University at 7:30 p.m. Saturday in Bearcat Arena, where the 'Cats have yet to lose this season.

On Wednesday, Northwest continued the unsettling trend of coming out flat in the second half and were defeated handily by the Lions of Missouri Southern State College in Joplin, 101-86.

The Bearcats, who led by two points at the intermission, were out-scored 16-4 in the first four minutes of the second half and were never able to get closer to the Lions.

Junior forward Tom Szlanda was one of five 'Cats in double figures, scoring 19 points and adding eight rebounds.

Freshman guard Tony Mauer, playing in place of injured senior guard Steve Simon, scored a career-high 14 points including four three-point goals.

Despite the fact the team is struggling, Tappmeyer is not panicking.

"It is not a mystery or like we are just falling apart. It is just when you go on the road in this league winning is tough," Tappmeyer said. "When you play a stretch of games, where five of the seven are on the road, that really makes it tough."

On Saturday, the 'Cats dropped their second straight road game, 79-70, against Washburn University in Topeka, Kan.

Northwest allowed Washburn to jump to a 6-0 run and was kept scoreless for the first eight minutes of the game.

Washburn led by 13 points twice in the half; however, the 'Cats

clawed their way back into the game and brought the score to 28-22.

For much of the second half, Northwest kept the game close and trailed, 34-32, with 16:45 to play, but the Bearcats could get no closer than three points the rest of the game. The Ichabods went on an 11-3 run late that sealed the win for Washburn.

The 'Cats shot a lukewarm 38 percent from the field, including 26 percent in the first half.

Tappmeyer said his team played hard, but was not mentally prepared for the Ichabods.

"We battled and hung close, but there were times when I thought we were as flat as we have been the entire conference season," he said. "We were not focused or mentally prepared to play this game."

Senior center Ricky Jolley led Northwest by scoring 15 points and clutching eight rebounds.

Despite the fact the 'Cats are playing conservatively, Tappmeyer is not satisfied with how the team is performing overall offensively.

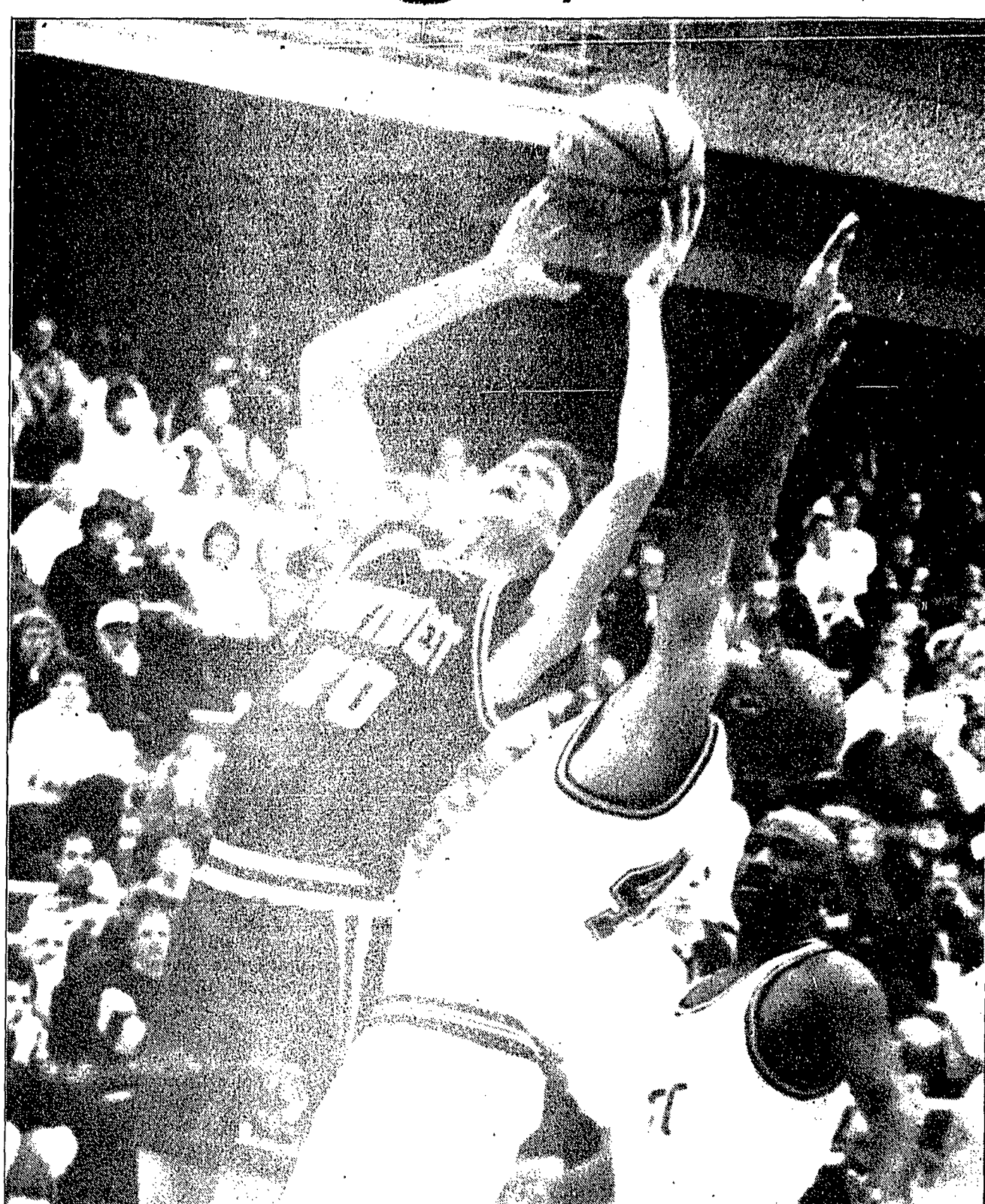
"I think we need to play with more instinct; right now, we look like a team with no confidence," he said. "We are really doubting ourselves and when we run a set or a play, we worry more about running the play than scoring at the end of it."

Junior guard Eddie Jones said he and his teammates recognize the problem and are determined to fix it.

"In practice we have been working on a free-lance motion-type offense that will allow us to take more people to the hole and either score or get fouled or dish (the ball) to somebody else," he said.

However, Tappmeyer said his team's woes are a mystery to him.

"I would be happy if I knew why we're not shooting well, but I think it is mental confidence," he said. "We have tried everything. We have patted them on the back and kicked them in the butt and nothing seems to be working."



CHRIS TUCKER/Contributing Photographer

SENIOR FORWARD SCOTT FIDLER eludes a defender, and muscles his way into the paint for two points. Fidler scored 13 points in the 'Cats 78-57 loss to Washburn University on Saturday in Topeka, Kan.

Lady Lions maul Bearcats, 102-66

By COLIN MCDONOUGH
 MISSOURIAN STAFF

There's no place like home.

After losing their sixth straight MIAA game and fourth straight league loss on the road Wednesday to the Lady Lions of Missouri Southern State College, 102-66, Northwest will play their first home game in 12 days.

The Bearcats gave up runs of 24-4 and 27-5 on the way to their worst loss of the season. The loss evened the 'Cats' overall record at 8-8 and 1-6 in MIAA play.

The Lady Lions racked up the fifth-highest point total ever given up by the 'Cats with its 102 point effort.

Sophomore guard Amy Krohn led the 'Cats scoring attack with 17 points.

Freshman guard Pam Cummings suffered a right ankle injury early in the game and did not score for the Bearcats.

Northwest will play the Emporia State University Hornets at 5:30 p.m. Saturday in Bearcat Arena.

Winstead said Emporia State is an improved team, but the 'Cats could end their six-game MIAA losing streak against the Hornets.

"They are a better team than they were last year," he said. "But they are a beatable team."

Freshman guard Pam Cummings said this game is a very important one for the 'Cats.

"If we don't win, but everyone gives everything they have, then it will be all right," she said. "But we really need a good win."

Even a shake-up in the starting lineup could not stop Northwest from continuing its MIAA slump with a tough loss Saturday at the hands of Washburn University, 78-57.

Junior guard Julia Oertel, who had started the previous 12 games, came off the bench, while freshman guard Autumn Feaker started for the second time this year.

"We wanted Feaker to play defense against

Washburn's all-American guard Shelly Foster," Winstead said.

Feaker controlled Foster in the first half, holding her to six points. Foster ended the game with 18 points, but in Feaker's defense, Winstead said Foster scored most of her points after he had inserted his reserves.

Northwest stayed close in the first half, trailing by eight points at the intermission despite shooting 38 percent from the field.

However, the shooting got worse in the second half and Washburn pulled away with 52 percent shooting to claim the win.

Winstead gave credit to the Washburn defense, which caused the 'Cats' to shoot poorly versus the Lady Blues.

"Our young kids haven't experienced the pressure that the teams we have played recently give you on defense," he said. "We have to learn to play as aggressively on defense as we play on offense. It is still a learning process for us."

Record-setting Bearcat tracksters prepare for ISU

By JASON TARWATER
 ASSISTANT TO THE EDITOR

The Bearcat track teams continued their preparation for Saturday's Iowa State University Invitational by competing in an intra-squad meet last Saturday in Lamkin Gym.

Ron DeShon, women's head coach, who will be taking 14 women to the invitational, said this Saturday is a big meet for the team.

"With this meet, I hope to qualify a lot more girls for nationals," he said. "There will be about 30-40 schools there from around the country. This will give us a chance to run with the big boys."

Although the teams did not run a full set of events during the meet, eight Lamkin records were broken.

On the men's side, freshman Don Ferree broke the record for the 3,200-meter run, at a time of nine minutes, 28 seconds. The old mark, 9:30 by Tim Hendrickson, had stood since 1982.

Ferree also set a record time of 8:54 in the 3,000-meter run.

Senior Chris Blondin broke yet another Lamkin record in the 800-meter run. Blondin's time was 1:56.6, shattering the previous mark of 2:03.1, set by Tom Lester in 1984.

Junior Mitch Dosland broke the record in the long jump, leaping 23-feet 10 1/2 inches, beating Rob Golston's 1986 record of 23-6 1/2.

Freshman Kathy Kearns lead the way for the women, setting two records. Kearns broke the 3,200-meter run record by almost four seconds and she also set a new record in the 3,000 with a time of 10:51.13. Freshman standout Jacshelle Sasser set two new Lamkin records of her own, in the triple jump and long jump. This was the first collegiate meet in which she has participated in the long jump.

Sasser broke Kim Spriggs' triple jump record by almost five feet and bested Amy Helms' 1992 long jump record, 19-1 to 16-11 1/2.

Freshman Carrie Sindelar shattered the Lamkin 800-meter run record by more than nine seconds.

Richard Alsup, men's head coach, said he used the intra-squad meet as a yardstick to evaluate the team's progress so far.

"We wanted to see where we were and what we had," he said. "This gives us a much better idea on how we would compete in an (indoor) situation."

DeShon also said he was pleased at the overall attitude of the team.

"I really liked the aggressiveness shown by both teams," he said. "Our last meet) showed that we had some outstanding athletes, but this meet showed me that the rest of the team is just as outstanding."

Cheerleaders earn 4th place finish at nationals

By MATTHEW BREEN
 ASSOCIATE EDITOR

Bumps, bruises and taped ankles aside, the Northwest Cheerleading Team marched into the National Cheerleading Association's Cheerleading and Dance Competition in Dallas and came away with a fourth place overall finish.

"Our performance certainly said a lot about us," head coach John Yates said.

The Northwest Steppers also attended the competition and came away with a sixth place overall finish.

Requirements for entry into national competition included submitting a videotaped performance of a cheer and fight song. Several factors were considered and the best 15 NCAA Division I-AA and II squads were chosen to attend, Yates said.

"Looking at our competition, we knew we had a chance to finish very well," he said. "But we didn't know how the others would perform."

Following the preliminary rounds of competition, the squad was confident about its performance and its chances for a top finish.

The Bearcats came away with the highest placing for an NCAA Division II team and the highest finish in school history, but cheerleading co-captain Holly Maupin said much of the credit belongs to Yates.

"He is the first coach we've had who knows the technical side of cheerleading, and he really pushes us to achieve," she said. "We really respect him for that."

Yates learned what he knows about cheerleading as a five-year member of the Northwest Cheerleading Team.

"It really helps because he knows exactly what we go through every day and what it takes to put together a great show," Bradshaw Cowan, cheerleading co-captain, said.

Northwest's high placing was sweetened because the team does not employ the services of a professional choreographer.

"A lot of teams bring in professional choreographers to help them prepare their routines for nationals," Maupin said. "John makes up 90 percent of the routine and then we spice it up. We don't pay someone to come in, and to place as well as we did without one makes us feel good."



CHRISTY SPAGNA/Missourian Staff

THE BEARCAT CHEERLEADING squad rallies behind the men's basketball team during a home game. The squad placed fourth overall at the NCA National Cheerleading Competition.

More than just Hoops

New faces bring spark of enthusiasm to 'Cats

By JENI KLAMM
MISSOURIAN STAFF

Two experienced transfers have benefited the women's basketball team this season with both a much-needed player and a new assistant coach.

Jennifer Currier, graduate assistant coach, and junior guard Julia Oertel, both of whom came to Northwest from North Iowa Area Community College in Mason City, have brought positive changes in different ways.

Currier wanted a chance to coach a team that she could take to a high level of winning. Oertel hoped for a prolonged basketball career and a good academic program.

Both found what they were looking for.

Currier decided to come to Northwest not only because she wanted to elevate her level of coaching to that of an NCAA Division I or II university, but she also needed a place to obtain her master's degree.

"I was basically in the right place at the right time when I got hired," Currier said.

Currier, who helped coach Oertel at NIACC, played four years of collegiate basketball before a knee injury ended her career.

Currier played for Oertel's father, John, and said young Julia used to tag along with her father to watch Currier practice and play at NIACC.

"Julia used to come and watch me practice when she was younger," Currier said. "She came to all of my games and was always following my career. Because of this it was good to have a chance to coach her. She is a great player."

Following a very successful stint at NIACC, which earned her Junior College all-American honors, Currier continued her basketball career at Central Michigan University where she was named to the all-Mid-American



JON BRITTON/Photography Director

GRADUATE ASSISTANT COACH Jennifer Currier gives instructions to the 'Cats at the Rockhurst College contest Jan. 16 at Bearcat Arena. In 1988, she was invited to try out for the women's Olympic Basketball team.

Conference team in 1988-89 and 1989-90.

Because of Currier's athletic prowess on the court, she was invited to try out for the 1988 women's Olympic basketball team in Colorado Springs, Colo., following her sophomore season at NIACC.

"I was honored to try out for the team," Currier said. "There were 38 girls and they needed 15 on the team. I didn't make it, but it was great to get the chance."

Oertel, like Currier, played on scholarship for two years at NIACC. Although she had not originally planned to play basketball following her NIACC career, she decided she wanted to continue competing at a higher level.

"Jennifer and I came to Northwest at the same time," Oertel said. "Jennifer applied for the graduate assistant job and I wanted to check out the school."

Currier said it was a definite

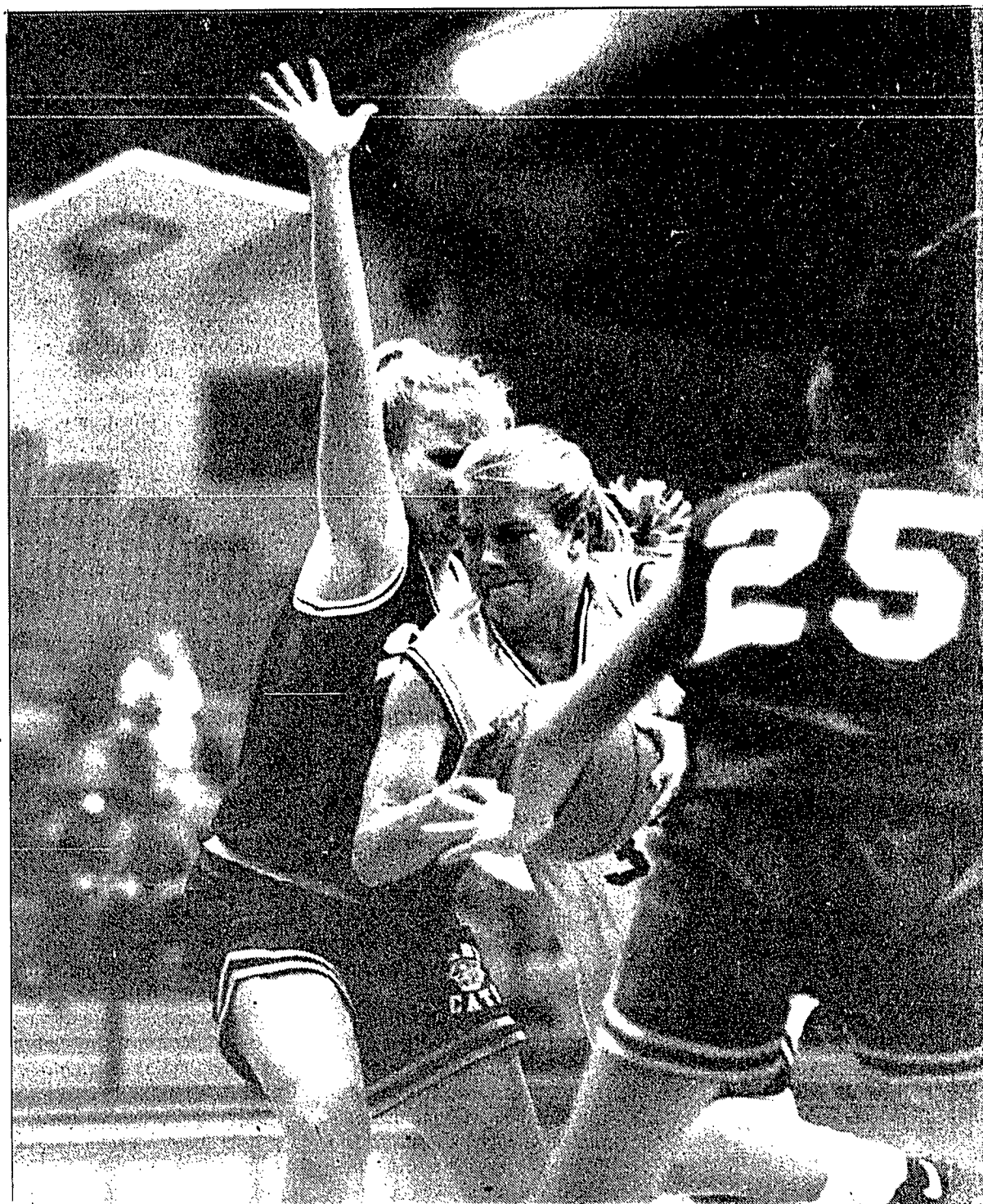
advantage for both of them to come to Northwest at the same time.

"I got the opportunity to listen in on recruitment plans and Julia happened to fit what Northwest was looking for," she said.

Both believe that each made her own decision about coming to Northwest, but they enjoyed having their previous working experience on their side when they made the decision.

"I wouldn't have based my decision primarily on Jennifer coming here, but she has helped my transition," Oertel said. "It is helpful to have Jennifer around. We still have certain plays that we run that came from NIACC. It helps the team to learn new plays and experience new ideas."

Both women bring unique changes to the team and benefit it by helping each other adjust. They hope that basketball will always be in their futures whether they are together or apart.



JON BRITTON/Photography Director

JUNIOR GUARD JULIA Oertel splits the Lady Hawks' defense in the 'Cats' 77-76 win over Rockhurst College. While at North Iowa Area Community College, she was coached by Jennifer Currier.

PLAYER PROFILE



Julia Oertel

Class: Junior
Position: Guard
Hometown: Mason City, Iowa
Previous School: North Iowa Area Community College
Major: Public Administration
Career stats: At NIACC, Julia connected on 74 of her 215 three-point attempts for a 36 percent average. She was second on the team in scoring averaging 12 points per game. In addition, Julia was second on the team in assists averaging 3.2 assists per game. The 1993-94 NIACC squad finished 28-6 and placed sixth at the National Junior College Tournament.
This season's stats: Julia is averaging 7.8 points per game and leads the team in three-point percentage hitting on 27 of 86 attempts.

COACH PROFILE



Jennifer Currier

Graduate Assistant Coach
Hometown: Clear Lake, Iowa
College Graduated From: Iowa State University in 1991
Coaching Experience: Assistant girls basketball coach at Hampton-DuMont (Iowa) High School. That team posted a state runner-up finish in 1991-92.
Playing Experience: Jennifer played college basketball at Central Michigan University for the 1988-89 and 1989-90 seasons, where she earned all-Mid-American Conference honors. Before attending CMU, Jennifer competed in both basketball and softball at NIACC, earning Junior College all-American honors in both sports. In 1988, Jennifer was named NIACC student-athlete of the year. She was also invited to try out for the 1988 women's Olympic basketball team.

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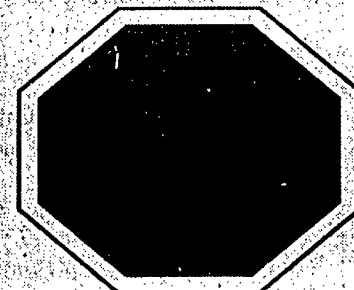
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SIMPSON SYPNOSIS

Listed below are the events in chronological order of the O.J. Simpson case since June 12, 1994.

■ Nicole Brown Simpson and Ronald Goldman were found stabbed to death on the steps of Simpson's condo. The only witness is the family dog.

■ O.J. Simpson, ex-husband of Nicole Simpson, was charged with murdering Simpson and Goldman.

■ Simpson flees with Al Cowlings in a white Ford Bronco down an L.A. interstate. The 45 mph "chase" was captured by every national and local network in the country.

■ Blood is found at the crime scene near bloody footprints leading away from the bodies of the victims. DNA tests prove that two drops match Simpson's blood.

■ Human hairs found in a dark knit cap and on Goldman's clothing resemble those of a black person.

■ A neighbor finds a bloodied glove the morning after the murders which matches the blood found in the Bronco and on the carpet.

■ DNA tests show that a small spot of blood found near the driver's side of the Bronco matches at least one of the victims.

■ Prosecutor Marcia Clark takes the spotlight at the hearing, proving there is enough evidence for the case to go to trial despite allegations that police, coroner and crime lab technicians badly botched the gathering and analyzing of evidence.

■ Simpson hires Robert Shapiro, Johnnie Cochran Jr., Gerald Uelman and F. Lee Bailey as his defense team. Although Shapiro has led the defense charge in pre-trial maneuvering, the trial will now be run by Cochran Jr. and Bailey.

■ The defense team has daily news conferences to tell what transpired in court in a public display of cooperation with the media.

■ Judge Lance Ito poses in *People* magazine in a swimming pool, proving that one case can make a celebrity and raises questions of Ito's objectivity in case.

■ Simpson signs deal to write an autobiography from prison to tell his side of the story. California law states if Simpson is convicted, any money that is paid to him for the book will go to victims' estate.

■ A jury consisting of six blackwomen, three black men, two white women and one white man is selected after weeks of debate and two replacements. A white woman replaced a Hispanic letter carrier who was in an abusive relationship and a black man replaced another black man who may have met Simpson at a company function.

■ Cochran backs away from the assertion that Simpson will testify. Cochran said that although Simpson wants to take the stand to declare his innocence, the defense is worried that it could hurt the case.

■ In an effort to soften her image, Clark draws criticism when she changes her hair and style of dress.

■ Ito struggles to maintain a low profile in the few weeks before the case. The low profile comes in response to a lack of confidence in the Los Angeles court system. The courts have been under watch by the media since the Rodney King case and the Lyle and Eric Menendez case.

■ Ito allows evidence of the 19 counts of spousal abuse by Simpson to be heard as it shows "motive and intent to kill." The evidence includes tapes of 911 calls as well as eyewitnesses who claim to have seen the sports figure abuse her.

Last-minute evidence stuns prosecutors

Would You Follow O. J. into the Dark?

Judge Ito: Mr. Unpredictable

Guilty or Not Guilty?

Students decide for themselves

Story by Mike Johnson

The deaths, the allegations, the chase, the scandal and now, the trial. The O.J. Simpson case is finally getting underway as of Monday, and Northwest is talking about it.

Yet the question remains: is O.J. Simpson guilty of the manslaughter of his ex-wife and her friend, or is he being framed for a crime he did not commit?

The evidence has stacked up since the June 12, 1994, murders. While blood is technically inadmissible because of the fallacy of DNA testing, samples found at the scene of the crime are still tangible pieces of evidence.

On Jan. 18, Judge Lance Ito allowed evidence of 19 counts of spousal abuse by O.J. Simpson during his stormy 17-year relationship with Nicole Brown Simpson to be submitted at the trial.

In addition, hairs found on Ronald Goldman's body and in O.J.'s knit hat match that of a black man.

The last piece of evidence is time. The prosecution will argue that O.J. had time to commit the murder before returning to his estate about a mile away.

What does the evidence mean? One student said it may paint the picture of an abusive spouse, but not a killer.

Crissy Miller does not think that O.J. committed the crime based on the facts she has heard so far.

"There's not enough evidence yet," Miller said. "There's more evidence to be heard. He should be thought of as not guilty until the trial is over."

Susan Sherlock disagrees, saying there is indeed enough evidence to convict the football hall of famer.

"There's just too many facts that point to him about the murder — too much evidence," Sherlock said.

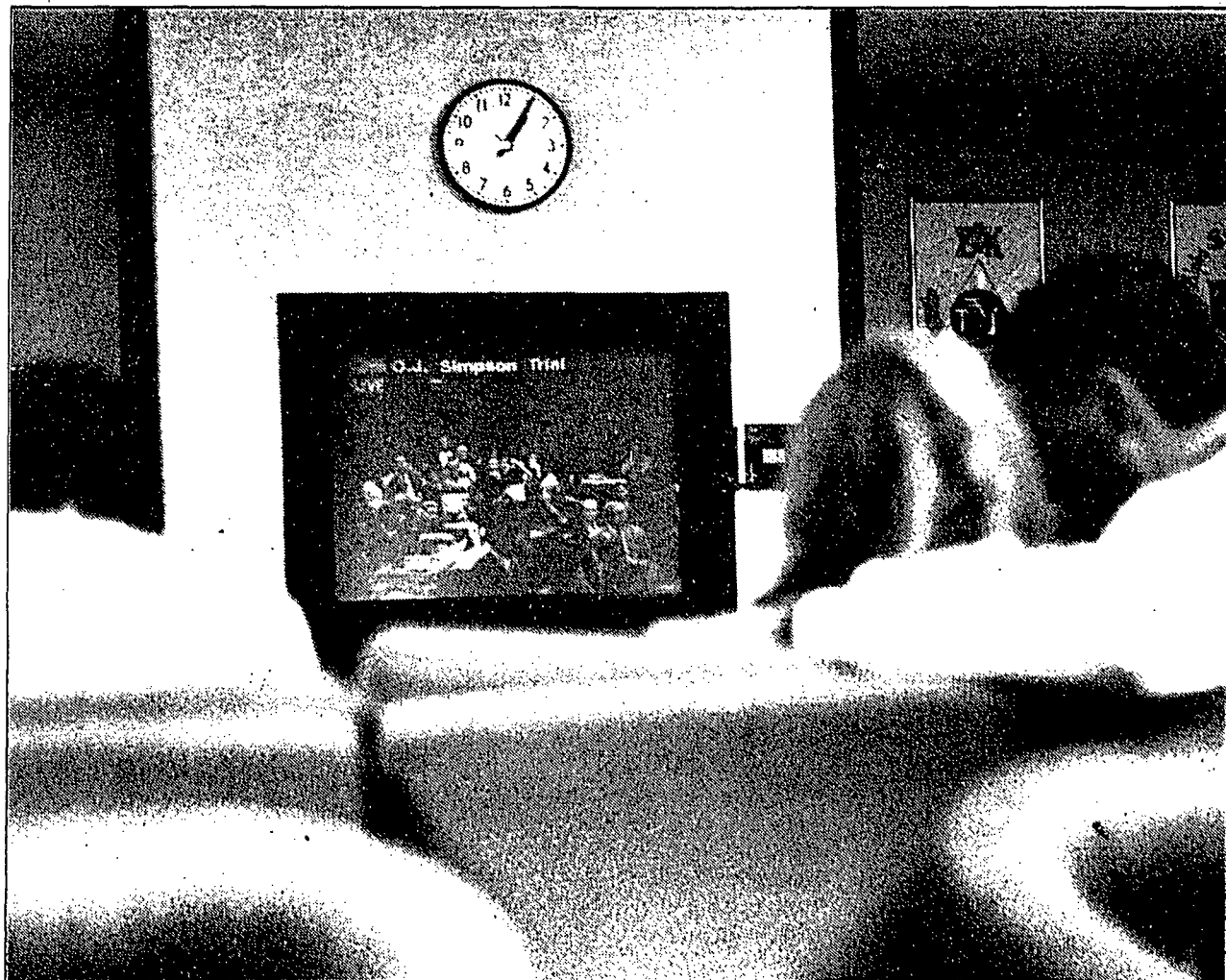
Some students think the evidence could go either way. Jermaine Ferguson thinks the case is split down the middle.

"It's 50-50," Ferguson said. "He may be guilty or he may be innocent. If he's not guilty though, whoever set him up did a good job."

Regardless of whether or not Simpson is guilty or innocent, Adam Froeschl thinks that it will ultimately depend on what the court decides.

"It's whatever the court rules," Froeschl said. "I personally think he did it, but he has told his attorneys to get him out of it. Now it all depends on them."

Media attention to this case, which combines sex,



violence, celebrities and sports, has been intense. For instance, the *National Enquirer* has put out only one issue without a mention of the murder on its cover since June.

It is not just the tabloids that have covered the case to the hilt. News people have built what has been described by CNN as a kind of "O.J. City" around the courthouse with scaffolding, lights and equipment hovering everywhere.

"There has been too much media coverage," Diane Baker said. "It's gotten in the way of the police's investigation and changed people's minds."

Although Nicole Brown Simpson's name and picture have been plastered on nearly every magazine and newspaper in America, many have forgotten about the second victim, Ronald Goldman, a waiter/bartender, who was a friend of Brown Simpson.

"I think it's maybe because Ron Goldman and

O.J. never had a past and he was just her boyfriend," Froeschl said. "They didn't have any conflicts or anything to really tie the two together. He just happened to be at the wrong place at the wrong time."

Brown Simpson and Goldman were stabbed multiple times. Because of the brutality of the crime, some have questioned whether O.J. acted alone. However, Baker believes that the mind is a powerful thing.

"If he was insane, he might have been so far gone that he just kept stabbing them," Baker said.

Rebecca Hunsucker said she had one simple thought on all the commotion surrounding the Simpson case: "I don't care."

However, millions do care. As the gavel pounds the podium, America will be watching, each person trying to answer the one question that has eluded everyone so far — did he do it?

PEOPLE HAVE BEEN captured by the drama of the O.J. Simpson murder case. The trial began with opening statements on Tuesday. JACK VAUGHT/Contributing Photographer

Judge ousts media from jury selection

Jury close at hand; alternates weeks away

Film promotes 'Learning' about racism

'Higher Learning'

★★★★ (out of four)

Universal Pictures
Stars: Omar Epps, Laurence Fishburne, Ice Cube, Kristy Swanson, Tyra Banks
Director: John Singleton
Rating: R
Reviewer: Cody Walker

John Singleton, the man who opened the world's eyes with "Boyz n the Hood" has stepped into the limelight once again. His newest film combines the diverse acting talents of Laurence Fishburne, Ice Cube and Omar Epps in the contro-versial film "Higher Learning."

This film is a slap in the face with asing of reality, but a slap with purpose. "Higher Learning" is a very powerful movie as it deals mainly with the tense relations between blacks and whites on the fictional campus of Columbus University.

Singleton portrays the two groups as being extremists, where a neutral medium is practically non-existent.

Fudge, played by Cube, leads a group of pro-black rebels who believes in supporting its own and fighting for its rights on the campus.

Epps plays Malik, a freshman track star on a scholarship who believes that the system is rigged by white bureaucrats.

Remy, portrayed by Michael Rapaport, is an impressionable and lonely first-year engineering student who only desires a place to fit in and to be accepted.



LAURENCE FISHBURNE PLAYS a kind professor who helps Malik, played by Omar Epps, come to terms with

the death of a loved one in director and screenwriter John Singleton's new drama, "Higher Learning."

When a group of neo-Nazi skin-heads is the first to open its doors and often him brotherhood, he takes the step.

Singleton has an uncanny ability to make viewers sense and comprehend Malik's hostility and confusion and also experience Remy's frustration of trying to belong.

The reality of the movie's situation

hits the audience hard.

Disturbing scenes spotlight the action which is focused primarily upon often innocent black students.

The problems between men and women and straights and homo-sexuals are also touched upon with very good performances by Kristy Swanson, Tyra Banks, Fishburne and others.

Entertainment Weekly gave

"Higher Learning" a "C" grade, stating that the film wasn't happy enough.

Here's a newflash: Life isn't always happy and often reality hurts.

"Higher Learning" is not a movie that people can really walk out of the theater and say they enjoyed, but it is not intended to be that way.

It is a film that makes you stop and think about yourself and others.

THE STROLLER

Your Man seeks cold pitcher of beer



Yours Truly thirsts for draft, but ends up catching a chill on long walk home.

Your Man has experienced one of the worst weekends of his life. I am now a firm believer in the law that says just when you think things can't get worse, they will.

It all started on Friday, as weekends usually do, when my friends and I decided we would venture out after classes and hit the bars in time for happy hour.

After the long, hard week of classes, we all deserved it, at least, so we thought.

However, Yours Truly has not quite reached that glorified age of 21 yet.

Many of the local drinking establishments do not allow minors in, so our plans were destroyed.

Well, at least for me and "Bob." Our other two friends were already golden.

Your Man was a little disgusted when they simply said, "Too bad, we'll drink a pitcher for you, though." Some friends.

The least they could do is buy us beer so we could drown our rejection in the privacy of our own home.

Bob and I decided instead to just go grab a bite to eat at McDonald's and plan the rest of our evening. However, Big Macs just aren't as relaxing as a cold draft beer.

While munching down the last of our fries, which, by the way, were a little cold and chewy,

we decided that we'd just head to St. Joe and watch a movie. At least no one would ask for our IDs there.

We hopped in Bob's trusty little car and sped off towards the booming metropolis of St. Joseph, Mo.

However, Bob doesn't like to drive too much so he coerced me into taking the wheel. Your Man got onto the bypass and for the first time wasn't stuck behind some redneck in a '72 Ford driving as slow as a turtle.

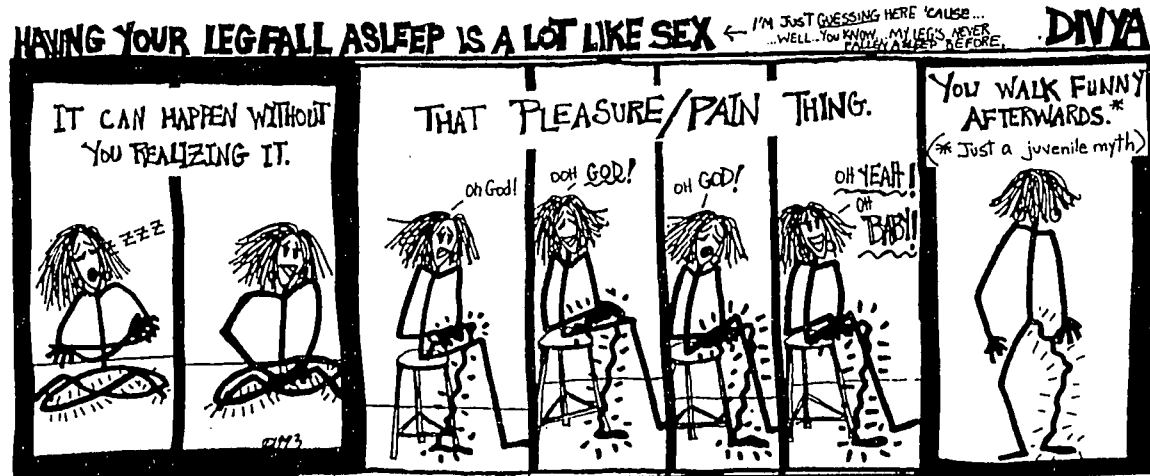
I thought my night might be looking up. Then, I saw the familiar red and blue lights and pulled over.

Your Stroller couldn't even come up with a good excuse for why he was driving so fast except that I was listening to my favorite song on the radio and not paying attention. (Never tell a cop you're not paying attention.)

Then, on top of the ticket, Yours Truly got a flat tire on U.S. Highway 71, with no houses in sight and forgot his coat.

Because Bob's trusty car doesn't come equipped with a spare, Bob and Your Man spent the rest of the evening walking back to the 'Ville hoping to find our drunken friends.

Tomorrow had to be better, right?
The Stroller has been a tradition at Northwest since 1918.



Golden Globes honor best of movies, TV

By MIKE JOHNSON
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Long considered the poor man's substitute for the Academy Awards and the Emmys, the Golden Globes are nevertheless an important precursor to the Oscars.

It is also a place for shows that do not get Emmy recognition to shine. Getting to the winners is only half the fun.

The show has an irresistibly tacky quality and a penchant for picking terrible hosts.

If Janine Turner's chirpy commercial reading of her cue cards wasn't enough to ruin her career, being the host opposite the hammy John Larroquette was.

The show contained a number of memorable moments. Here are some of the highlights:

Winner most in need of oxygen • 15-year-old Claire Danes was adorable as she shyly accepted her award for best actress in a television drama.

Hugh gets huge laughs • This year's most memorable speech was Hugh Grant's as he charmingly took the podium in awe of the award and walked away with the show, thanking himself the whole time.

Tipsy Tarantino takes the stage • Quentin Tarantino drunkenly accepted the award for best screenplay for "Pulp Fiction." It's a good thing his scripts are better than his public speaking skills.

Shepherd dares to bare • Cybill Shepherd bragged in *Entertainment Weekly* that she was having good sex



Paramount Pictures

GOLDEN GLOBE WINNER Tom Hanks stars as the title character in "Forrest Gump," which also received awards for best motion picture.

and showed America two big reasons in a very revealing blouse.

I love you • Elton John told his man that he loved him when he accepted the award for best song, and Paul Reiser thanked his bride, Paula, when accepting the award for best comedy series. Love really does move the world, or in this case, the globes.

May I help you, sir? • Looking like a waiter in a white coat and black pants, a flu-battling Hanks was modest when accepting his second straight Globe for best actor in a drama.

She strips better than all of the

others • Patting Hollywood's ongoing hatred toward women on the back, the Foreign Press actually rewarded Jamie Lee Curtis for stripping provocatively in "True Lies."

This is your life, Sophia Loren • Honored for an undeserved Lifetime Achievement Award, Loren owes all her success to the hair and makeup people who made her famous.

This award belongs to you, Aaron Spelling • Did nominees Heather Locklear, Laura Leighton or Jason Priestley even bother to have a speech prepared?

THE WINNERS

MOVIES:

- **Best Drama**
"Forrest Gump"
- **Best Comedy/Musical**
"The Lion King"
- **Best Actor, Drama**
Tom Hanks, "Forrest Gump"
- **Best Actor, Comedy**
Hugh Grant, "Four Weddings and a Funeral"
- **Best Actress, Drama**
Jessica Lange, "Blue Sky"
- **Best Actress, Comedy**
Jamie Lee Curtis, "True Lies"
- **Best Supporting Actor**
Martin Landau, "Ed Wood"
- **Best Supporting Actress**
Dianne Wiest, "Bullets Over Broadway"
- **Best Director**
Robert Zemeckis, "Forrest Gump"
- **Best Screenplay**
Quentin Tarantino, "Pulp Fiction"
- **Best Song**
"Can You Feel the Love Tonight," "The Lion King"

TELEVISION:

- **Best Drama**
"The X-Files"
- **Best Comedy**
"Frasier," "Mad About You" (tie)
- **Best Actress, Drama**
Claire Danes, "My So-Called Life"
- **Best Actress, Comedy**
Helen Hunt, "Mad About You"
- **Best Actor, Drama**
Dennis Franz, "NYPD Blue"
- **Best Actor, Comedy**
Tim Allen, "Home Improvement"

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Romans 10:9,10,13(NIV)

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